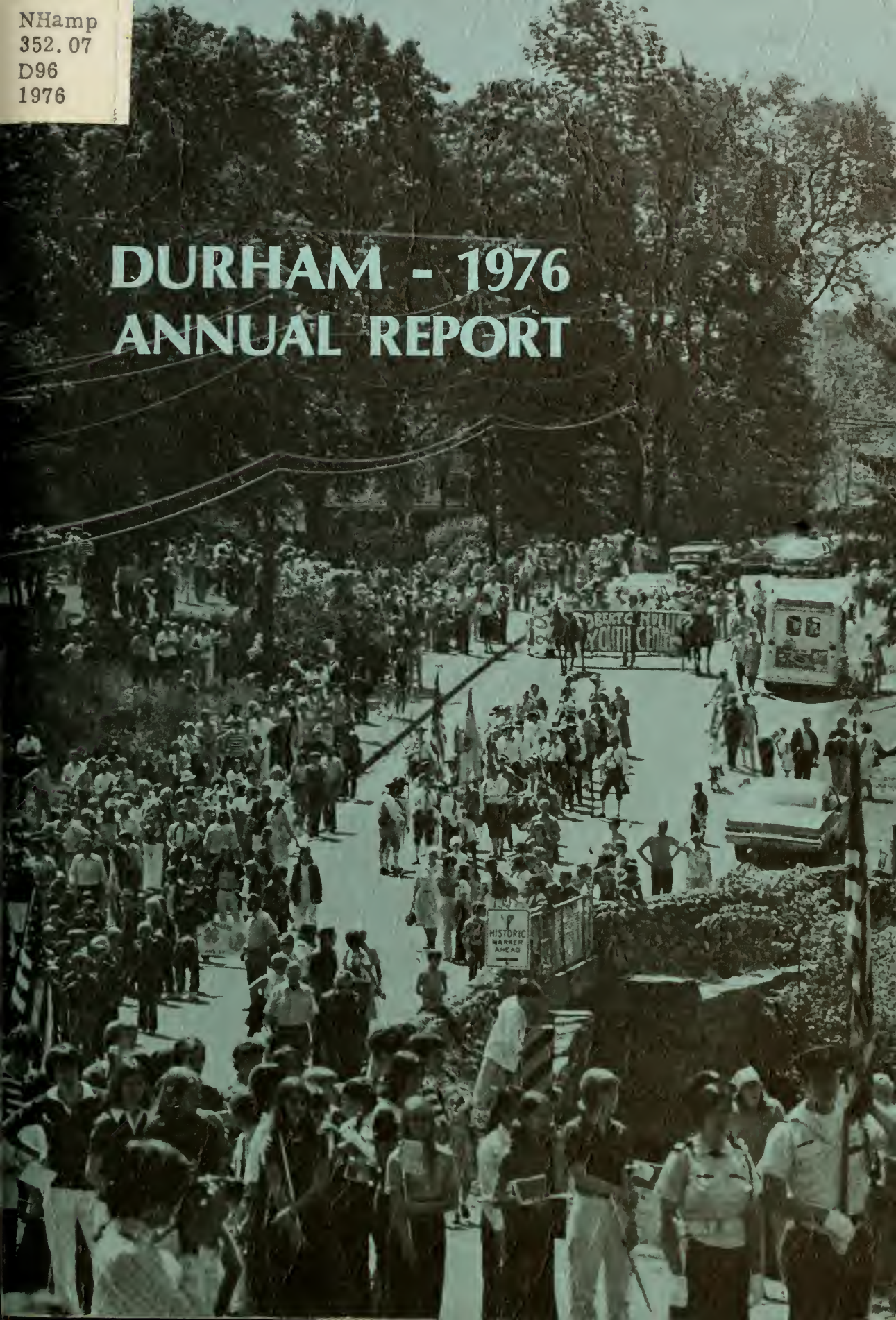


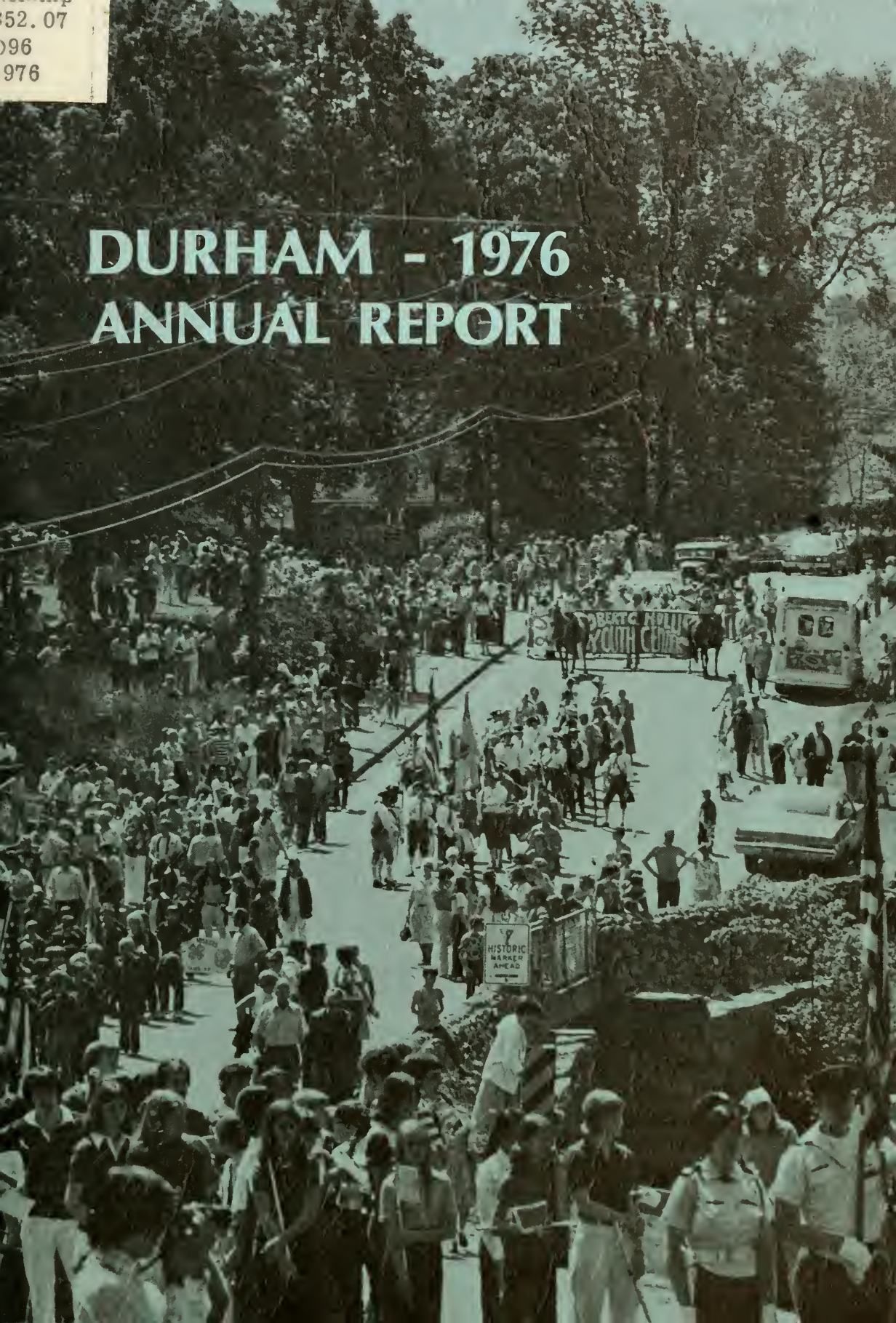
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COVER PICTURES

The two views of the Newmarket Bridge by the falls, seen from opposite sides of the Oyster River, contrast the character of the Town of Durham over a time span of some eighty years.

The Runlett sawmill and the George Ffrost store, pictured on the back cover, have given way to a fish ladder and a Town park. The trees in the foreground now tower over the General John Sullivan Monument where, on the front cover, the 1976 Memorial Day parade is enroute back to the center of Town following the ceremonial burial of the Bicentennial Time Capsule.

Town Officers and Committees

Expiration
of Term

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO SELECTMEN

Henry N. LeClair (Resigned 11/15/76)

BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

William Chamberlin, Chairman	Matthew Cutter
Philip Wilcox	Margery Milne
Samuel W. Hoitt	Meredyth Jones
Charles E. Clark	Helen Slanetz
Maryanna Hatch	Wilfred West
Malcolm J. Chase	Phyllis Jellison
Malcolm MacGregor	Dorothy Shirley
Marshall Shields	Ada Lundholm
Edwin Bardwell	Eleanor Fogg
Sally Hochgraf	Keith Nighbert
Charlotte Kimball	Marion Beckwith
Dorothy True	Mary Verrette
Margaret Sumner	Mary Regan
Roy Worthen	Henry A. Davis
Winnie Welch	Frances Jones

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Kathleen I. Fleming, Chairman	1977
Rebecca B. W. Frost	1977
William F. Robinson, Jr.	1977
Katherine Wheeler (Resigned)	1977
Theodore Finnegan (to replace Katherine Wheeler)	1977
William S. Connell	1978
Clayton L. Follansbee	1978
Monica Smith	1978
Sarah Voll	1978
Charles Burley	1979
Martha Burton, Vice Chairman	1979
William Clement, Secretary	1979
Margaret Faulk	1979
Owen Durgin, rep. Selectmen	

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Sheldon Prescott

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Board of Selectmen
Trustees of Trust Funds

CHIEF OF POLICE

Ray Burrows

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Herbert Jackson	1977
Richard Strout	1977
John W. Hatch, Chairman	1977
Dwight Ladd (to replace Stephen Roberts)	1977
Oliver P. Wallace	1978
Walter W. Cheney	1979
Lawrence W. O'Connell, rep. Selectmen	

DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE
David Littlefield

DISTRICT COURT
Joseph P. Nadeau, Justice
Joseph E. Michael, Jr., Special Justice
Judith Johnson, Clerk
Raymond J. Bilodeau, Probation Officer

DURHAM AMBULANCE CORPS
Ronald Howe, President

FIRE CHIEF AND FIRE WARDEN
Paul G. Long, Chief (Resigned 1/7/77)
Roland LaRoche, Deputy & Acting Chief

FIRE COMMISSIONERS
David A. Flanders, Chairman
Richard Proulx
James C. Chamberlin

HEALTH OFFICER
Lawrence W. Slanetz

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
George Findell
Allen Linden
Malcolm MacGregor, Chairman
Mary Alice Marschner
Elizabeth Robinson
George F. Sawyer, Jr.
James C. Chamberlin, rep. Selectmen
Rebecca B. W. Frost, rep. Planning Board

JOINT TOWN-UNIVERSITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

<u>Town</u>	<u>University</u>
James C. Chamberlin	Eugene Mills
Malcolm J. Chase	Norman W. Myers
Owen B. Durgin	Richard Stevens
Lawrence W. O'Connell	E. H. Leaver
Alden L. Winn (Resigned 12/13/76)	Allan Prince, Chairman
Richard S. Davis	Kim Sprague
L. W. Slanetz	David Flanders
Stephen Roberts	
Maryanna Hatch (Replacing A. L. Winn)	

DURHAM-UNH INCINERATOR COMMITTEE
(Sub-Committee of Joint Town-UNH Advisory Committee)
Eugene H. Leaver, Chairman
James C. Chamberlin
Malcolm J. Chase
W. Kent Martling

SEWER POLICY COMMITTEE
(Sub-Committee of Joint Town-UNH Advisory Committee)

Eugene H. Leaver	1977
Owen B. Durgin (to replace A. L. Winn)	1978
Ralph G. Smallidge	1979
Henry A. Davis, Chairman (to replace T. R. Meyers)	1980
Herbert Jackson	1981

WATER POLICY COMMITTEE
(Sub-Committee of Joint Town-UNH Advisory Committee)
James C. Chamberlin, Chairman
Eugene H. Leaver
Norman W. Myers
Owen B. Durgin

KEEPERS OF THE SWANS
Lorus & Margery Milne
Esther Mae Forrest
Howard Forrest

KEEPER OF THE POUND
L. Franklin Heald

LIBRARIAN
Donald E. Vincent

MODERATOR
Joseph Michael, Jr.

OYSTER RIVER HOME HEALTH ASSOCIATION
Mrs. Linda Gill, Administrative Nurse

OYSTER RIVER YOUTH ASSOCIATION
Henry G. Kast, President

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE	
Joseph F. Fleming, Chairman	1977
Charlotte Collins	1977
John J. Sasner, Jr.	1977
Richard Barker, Secretary	1978
David Brewster	1978
Malcolm J. Chase, rep. Selectmen	

PLANNING ASSISTANT
David Littlefield

PLANNING BOARD	
M. Rae Borrer, Secretary	1977
Anne Knight (to replace Robert Vreeland)	1978
Charles Burley	1979
Rebecca B. W. Frost	1979
Stephen Roberts, Chairman	1980
Dwight Ladd	1981
Maryanna Hatch, rep. Selectmen (to replace Owen B. Durgin)	

PORTSMOUTH-KITTERY ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE
Clayton Follansbee

PUBLIC WORKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE	
Norman W. Stiles	1977
Richard S. Davis, Chairman	1978
James C. Chamberlin (to replace A. L. Winn)	

RECYCLING COMMITTEE
James C. Chamberlin, Chairman
Margaret Bogle
Hollis Leland
Henry H. Dozier, Jr.
George Crombie

	Expiration of Term
REPRESENTATIVE TO SEACOAST REGIONAL ASSOCIATION	
William D. Clement	
REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL COURT (District No. 4)	
James Horrigan	1978
Everett Sackett	1978
Joan M. Schreiber	1978
Sarah P. Voll	1978
SELECTMEN	
Alden L. Winn (resigned 12/13/76)	1977
Maryanna Hatch (appointed to replace A. L. Winn)	1977
Malcolm J. Chase, Chairman	1978
Owen B. Durgin	1978
James C. Chamberlin	1979
Lawrence W. O'Connell	1979
STRAFFORD REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION	
Nelson LeRay	
Rebecca B. W. Frost	
George Shaw, Alternate	
STRAFFORD-ROCKINGHAM REGIONAL COUNCIL	
Nelson LeRay	
Rebecca B. W. Frost	
George Shaw, Alternate	
SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	
George Crombie	
SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST	
Anne E. Valenza	1978
Barbara Mullins	1980
Mary A. Bowley	1982
TAX COLLECTOR	
Linda L. Ekdahl	1978
TOWN CLERK	
Linda L. Ekdahl	1978
TREASURER	
James W. Christensen	1978
TREE WARDEN	
Guy Hodgdon	
TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS	
Samuel W. Hoitt	1977
Frederick C. Ober (to replace Bradley Wetherell)	1978
Philip A. Wilcox	1979
WELFARE OFFICER	
Ursula Bowring	
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT	
Norman W. Stiles, Chairman	1977
Charles Wheeler	1978
Hollis Leland	1979
Mary Alice Marschner (Alternate)	1979
Charles E. Clark	1980
William Chamberlin (Alternate)	1980
Richard F. Smith	1981
Charles O. Dawson (Alternate)	1981

Selectmen's Report

Durham, in the 1976 Bicentennial Year, saw continued residential and commercial growth. Our new construction approached nearly \$3,000,000.00, an indication that Durham still appeals to people as a place in which to live. This increase in assessed valuation developed without any new subdivisions. While the Housing for the Elderly was completed in 1975, occupancy began this year, and it is now full and providing an outstanding service to our Senior Citizens.

Among the projects which we have completed through our Public Works Department are the launching ramp at Cedar Point, the extension of the long-planned stone pier at Jackson's Landing, the rebuilding of the sewer mains in Jenkins Court, the reconstruction of Garrison Avenue from Madbury Road to Main Street, including sidewalks and bikeways, the reconstruction of the old stone revetments at the Falls, and other water, sewer, and roadway improvements.

The community joined our Bicentennial Committee in ceremonies commemorating the founding of our country, including the burial of a 100-year time capsule at the Sullivan Monument site.

1976 was a year of unusual activity in Durham in that the Town initiated an unprecedented number of programs of study toward improvements in our community in the environmental field and in providing proper services to our citizens. While many of these activities which were supervised by the Board of Selectmen are covered in special reports, it seems appropriate to summarize them and note their status. By far the largest program underway in Town is the design of our Secondary Treatment facilities by our engineering consultants in cooperation with the New Hampshire Water Supply and Pollution Control Commission, and the United States Environmental Protection Agency. The planned design is essentially 95% complete to the end that cost estimates have been prepared for submission to the Town at our March 8 meeting. Allowing time for administrative work upon approval of the program, we hope to initiate construction in August or September of this year. Of major significance in our Treatment Plant design is the incorporation of mechanical composting of our sewage sludge, which may perhaps be the first of its kind in the United States. To investigate further alternate uses for this new product, used for the past two years in our Town landscaping program, we have initiated a joint program of research and practical application with the University, the State Highway Department, the State Division of Parks, the Federal Department of Transportation, and the State Department of Health. Hopefully this pilot research and testing program will get underway in the near future.

As directed by the Town at the 1976 Town Meeting, surveys and engineering studies have been conducted on the Town's proposed bikeway system. The study involves slightly more than five miles of the highway system in Durham. It is felt that the study has been quite productive in that we now have a complete survey and plan of our road system, showing physical features along the routes of the bikeway system. The data obtained from the study has been assembled in a report accompanied by the plans prepared and will be available at the Town Office for inspection and for future use in the expansion of our bikeway system.

Again, in accordance with the approval of the Town in 1976, we have conducted an engineering analysis of our joint UNH-Town incineration and solid waste disposal operation to the end that a long-range program be developed for planning for the most efficient and economical method of disposing of our solid waste. The engineering study included a complete

analysis of the condition of our existing incinerator, the requirements for its rehabilitation to top efficiency, together with an evaluation of required additional solid waste disposal facilities that will, on a limited regional basis, reduce the cost of solid waste disposal for both the University and the Town of Durham. Based on the factual information developed through the study, we have recommended that two steps be initiated for this year, and are asking the Town at our March meeting to authorize their implementation. The first step involves physical rehabilitation of our present incinerator, with the second step being the conducting of a feasibility study for an additional incineration unit with appropriate waste handling facilities to be constructed adjacent to the University's power plant to handle, together with our own plant, the solid waste for the University and the Town of Durham, together with that of the neighboring towns who have expressed a deep interest in joining with us in the development of an economical program of solid waste disposal. All of these towns have been requested to ask for authorization at their Town Meetings to cooperate in the feasibility study and to raise and appropriate a sum of money as their contribution to the effort. It is anticipated that the study will be completed in time for presentation of a recommended course of action for the University and Durham and all the communities involved, either at a Special Town Meeting late in 1977, or at the regular Town Meeting of 1978.

Our Urban Roads program for the downtown area has progressed to the point that plans are virtually ready for bidding, upon approval of the required funding at the March 8 meeting. This program is federally aided (2/3 federal, 1/3 town), and includes the rehabilitation of our downtown area in improvements in traffic control, new sidewalks, the removal of all overhead utility lines, the construction of ornamental lighting, improved safe parking along the routes, as well as the construction of a continuous bikeway system within the limits of the project. It is anticipated that construction can be undertaken by early spring, with the majority of the construction work to be completed, hopefully, during the 1977 construction season. The second phase of the Urban Roads program which involves the planning and design of sidewalks, bikeways and improved traffic control along Route 108, from Mill Pond Road to Coe's Corner is under way, with reports and recommendations planned for presentation to the Town in 1978.

The revaluation of all assessed properties authorized by the 1976 Town Meeting is being handled by Patten Associates of Portland, Maine. Their contract calls for the completion of the assessment of all property in Durham as of April 1, 1977, with their final report to be submitted by June 1, 1977. Upon completion of the assessment, the opportunity will be presented to all property owners to meet with the appraisal people and review their proposed assessments.

The joint University-Town Board of Fire Commissioners has been asked to administer the planning involved in the new fire station study. The Commissioners, with the assistance of Town and University staffs, have conducted a survey of possible sites and have recommended that their evaluation be included in the architectural study as authorized. Action is under way to engage architectural and engineering consultants to undertake the site and necessary planning studies preparatory to bringing appropriate action for construction to the Town and University in the coming year.

In their continuing efforts to negotiate improvements in the Town service facilities, the Board made application to the federal government under the EDA program for funds to rehabilitate all deficient sections of our sewage collection system, which have now been catalogued through our continuing underground television inspection program. Although our request was not approved in the first listing of projects, we are hopeful that we will qualify for funding as additional federal public works programs become available.

Of particular significance is the long-awaited opportunity to acquire the building adjacent to the existing Town Offices to give us the space so desperately needed for Town operations. The acquisition of this building

and site was recommended by a Town Office Study Committee several years ago and, with the splendid cooperation of the Nortons, who are now planning to move, it has now been made available to the Town of Durham and the Board of Selectmen have submitted its recommendation to the Town that this property be acquired. Limited architectural study funds have been requested to be appropriated to the end that the combining of the two buildings be studied to fulfill the requirements for Town Offices for the foreseeable future. It is envisioned that this study may find that these properties may well eliminate the need for much more expensive construction for Town Office buildings for a long time.

The waste recycling program directed by the Town has been conducted through the efforts of an extremely able committee and has resulted in the assembly of very valuable factual data. Again, as directed, the committee has prepared a very comprehensive report, a summary of which is being published in this Town Report.

At long last we received the approval of the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation for the Woodridge tennis court project permitting us to go ahead with design and construction. With the assistance of a local consultant, we have had prepared designs for four tennis courts and supporting facilities. Actual construction was initiated late in November of 1976 through local contractors operating directly under the supervision of the Town's Public Works staff. The early winter weather terminated construction operations but they will be resumed immediately as soon as weather permits. The ongoing work includes the access drive, parking, and all earthwork including drainage up to the actual court surfacing. It is now planned to take bids on the court surfaces, fencing, and related items such that they can be installed (hopefully) by early June to permit their use during the 1977 summer season.

The loss of Henry LeClair, our long-time Administrative Assistant, has been keenly felt. The Board of Selectmen, with the assistance of the New Hampshire Municipal Association, has selected applicants to fill the now vacant position and are presently interviewing top quality candidates for that position. It is hoped that a decision will be reached such that an announcement can be made in the near future.

Finally, the single program of which we are extremely proud is the establishment of expanded health and life coverage for all Town employees and their inclusion in a retirement program, as a continuing step in improving the fringe benefits for our loyal and able Town employees. It is obvious that the handling of the foregoing programs and the many others not listed could not have been accomplished by your Board without the assistance of the dedicated individuals serving on Town Committees and Boards, and the efficient staff of employees serving the Town. We wish to express our sincere appreciation on behalf of all of the townspeople, and hope that they will continue to provide these valuable services in the future. We urge all to attend the meetings held by your Selectmen and the Committees and Boards who conduct the Town's business, so that you may be aware of the day-to-day work being conducted, and provide the citizen input which is so important to the making of decisions in the management of Town affairs.



The Audit Summary

TOWN OF DURHAM
GENERAL FUND
ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
AND BUDGET SUMMARY
FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1976

ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

Fund Balance (Deficit) - January 1, 1976	\$ 26,444.93
Add: Net Budget Surplus	34,759.31
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Fund Balance (Surplus) - December 31, 1976	\$ <u>8,314.38</u>

BUDGET SUMMARY

Revenue:		
Estimated	\$ 2,757,910.43	
Actual	<u>2,756,277.56</u>	
Revenue Deficit		\$ 1,632.87
Appropriations:		
Estimated	\$ 2,757,910.43	
Actual	<u>2,721,518.25</u>	
Appropriation Surplus		\$ 36,392.18
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Net Budget Surplus		\$ <u>34,759.31</u>

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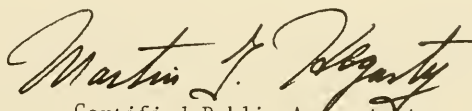
ACCOUNTANT'S OPINION

Board of Selectmen
Durham, New Hampshire

Gentlemen:

I have examined the balance sheets of the various funds of the Town of Durham, New Hampshire as of December 31, 1976 and the related statements of operations and changes in fund balances for the twelve months then ended. My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and other such auditing procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, the aforementioned financial statements present fairly the financial position of the various funds of the Town of Durham, New Hampshire at December 31, 1976 and the results of their operations and changes in fund balances for the twelve months then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applicable to governmental entities, applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.


Certified Public Accountant

February 8, 1977

Budget Committee

The Budget Committee met on 11th March, 1976 to reorganize and elect new officers. Kathleen I. Fleming was elected Chairman, Martha Burton Vice Chairman and Clayton Follansbee Secretary. Mr. Follansbee subsequently resigned due to time commitments, and William Clement kindly consented to complete the year as Secretary.

As the Town was preparing for a Special Town Meeting to reconsider the Bikeways proposal the Chairman and Vice Chairman met with Mr. Fred LaPlante, Director of the Division of Municipal Accounting, to become better informed about the technicalities of such a meeting and also to get answers to many questions which had arisen during the previous year's preparation of the budget. At this meeting it was explained that no monies can be raised at a special town meeting unless the amount has been approved by the Budget Committee, as special town meetings are for the specific purpose of raising monies under a condition of emergency. This information was passed to the Selectmen. The Special Town Meeting was held on May 4, 1976 and the Budget Committee disapproved the article for the following reasons:

- a. No new information had been received which would in any way change the budgetary considerations of the proposal.
- b. No emergency existed (in this case a time element to apply for federal funding) which had not existed at the regular Town Meeting.
- c. The Town already has money invested in the Urban Highway program which is matched by the State on a two-thirds basis. Bikelanes are included in this program, where feasible.

A vote was taken at the May 4th meeting and the bikelanes article was again turned down. The Budget Committee then turned its attention to regular business.

Because the Budget Committee is tasked by law to review expenditures periodically during the year, sub-committees for each department were formed early. An initial review was made of the six-month statement of expenditures. Subsequently, the sub-committees met with each department, gaining an in-depth understanding of each department which was most helpful in the final preparation of the budget.

In addition to the sub-committees for each department a sub-committee was formed to study a capital expansion program for the Town. We asked for, and received from the Selectmen, a preliminary plan. Although not too much progress was made with this plan this year, it is hoped a more definite plan will be available next year. In the meantime the townspeople should be aware of the following projections:

Municipal Buildings

Fire Station, Housing for Ambulance, Town Garage and Storage Yard, Purchase of 15 Newmarket Road and, in the distant future, new Town Offices.

Utilities

Secondary Treatment, Collector Repairs and Interceptors, Upgrading and expansion of present water system, Expansion and replacement of Incinerator, Street Lighting, including downtown improvement.

Highways and Bridges	Ongoing program of resurfacing each urban road every seven years, Repairing Packers Falls Bridge and Bennett Road Railroad Bridge.
Equipment	Periodic replacement.
Parks and Recreation	Athletic Field, Shore Front Improvement, Town Center and Town entrance Beautification.
Conservation	Open land acquisition.

The following goals were adopted and will stand until amended or replaced by a future committee:

DURHAM BUDGET COMMITTEE GOALS

R.S.A. 32, entitled the Municipal Budget Law, provides for a budget committee for Durham of 12 elected members-at-large plus one appointed Selectman, and charges it with the responsibility of preparing a budget annually for submission to the Town for such action as the Town shall decide. It empowers the committee to obtain records of town expenditures in as much detail as it may need. It does not, however, tell the committee how it shall proceed in the sense of directing it to prepare a frugal or lavish budget or a budget somewhere between these extremes. Therefore, it is up to the citizens of Durham to direct the committee in this respect. The means by which they can do so are in the choice of individual committee members and in hearings and informal contact with committee members.

The goal of the budget committee then, is the careful preparation of budgets which express in monetary terms the wishes of the Town as to community services. In the absence of indications to the contrary, the committee believes such services should be maintained at the same level as has been enjoyed in the past. This applies to maintenance expense, the expense of new construction to keep pace with town growth, capital expense for replacement of obsolete equipment, capital expense to maintain a sensible program of additions of new equipment, and suitable additions to capital reserves to provide for depreciation.

The committee cannot be insensitive to the impact of tax increases, but it considers as inappropriate the preparation of a budget with the goal of maintaining a static rate or some arbitrarily fixed rate.

In addition to the above statement of goals the Budget Committee has requested that a reconciliation of the items in the previous budget and the actual expenditures (in round figures) be made in each departmental report. Explanations of substantive differences reflecting unanticipated expenditures which have caused changes in the planned budget should be made, however, no comment would be needed about minor differences. Also it would be helpful if each departmental report included a discussion of any significant differences between the previous budget and the requested budget, and how each department is looking at its future role in the Town and what it hopes to do.

The Budget Committee is often asked the meaning of its types of recommendation and there are three legal recommendations as follows:

Approved: An item included in the budget but for some reason or another needs to be a warrant article.

Without Recommendation: An item (usually a new proposal) to which the Budget Committee has no objections, and leaves it up to the Town to decide for itself. When an article is submitted without recommendation it does not mean that the Budget Committee either "likes" or "dislikes" the article, it simply means "It's up to you". (Monies for these articles may be added to the budget provided the total increase does not exceed by more than 10% the total amount specified for the meeting - less fixed charges of all bonds, notes and interest and principal payments thereon, and any mandatory assessments imposed on the Town by county, state or federal governments.)

Disapproved: An item to which the Budget Committee strongly objects. (If this article is a Selectmen's article it means that it becomes a dead issue and no money can be raised for it even if voted in the affirmative at the town meeting. A petitioned article has more value and if the article carries money may be legally raised with the same 10% provision above.)

I might add the culmination of the major efforts of this Committee are to be found elsewhere in this Town Report, namely the proposed 1977 Budget. See you at Town Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen I. Fleming, Chairman
Durham Budget Committee



Town Treasurer

I. GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT

Balance, Durham Trust Co. Account, January 1, 1976 \$ 629,289.94

RECEIPTS:

LOCAL SOURCES:

Received from Tax Collector:

Property Taxes, 1976	\$1,852,427.41
Property Taxes, 1975	148,256.92
Property Taxes, 1974-1975	44,227.56
Resident Taxes, 1976	24,500.00
Resident Taxes, 1975	4,830.00
Resident Taxes, 1974	30.00
Resident Tax Penalties	575.00
Interest	9,485.98
National Bank Stock Taxes	232.07
Tax Sales Redeemed	38,279.23
Yield Taxes	<u>1,139.07</u>

Total Receipts, Tax Collector 2,123,983.24

Received from Town Clerk:

Copies of Vital Statistics	180.00
Dog Licenses	1,304.75
Filing Fees	10.00
Marriage Licenses	225.00
Motor Vehicle Permits, 1976	83,609.34
Motor Vehicle Permits, 1975	1,410.58
Theatre License	75.00
Title Fees	1,197.00
U.C.C. Discharge Fees	18.00
U.C.C. Recording Fees	87.00
Miscellaneous Receipts	<u>11.00</u>

Total Receipts, Town Clerk 88,127.67

Received from Other Town Departments:

Grease Handling Facilities, Prior Year Expense	4,471.25
Grease Handling Facilities, Current Year	8,008.55
Road Restoration Project Deposit Loan	120.00
Sewer Capital Expenditures, Entry Fees	2,020.00
Sewer Maintenance, Prior Year Expenses	30,231.29
Sewer Maintenance, Contra Payroll	33,677.57
Sewer Maintenance, Gas Transfer	164.51
Water Department, Contra Payroll	<u>9,811.64</u>

Total Receipts, Other Town Departments 88,504.81

Miscellaneous Sources:

Building Permits	2,400.36
Citizens for Alternate Transportation	2,100.00

District Court	22,617.14	
Interest Income, Investments	13,712.99	
Parking Fines and Permits	5,248.75	
Parking Meter Revenue	520.41	
Planning Board Fees	605.00	
Sale of Town Property	321.90	
Septic Tank Inspection Fees	265.00	
Town Beautification	1,143.54	
Miscellaneous Receipts	4,167.48	
Reimbursements:		
Ambulance Corps	709.29	
Cemetery Maintenance	1,689.82	
Food Stamp Bond	210.00	
Manpower Programs	59,929.30	
Police Officer Training	300.00	
Special Police	1,124.08	
Town Road Aid	13,222.95	
Trustees of Trust Funds	996.96	
Workman's Compensation	248.50	
Yield Tax Bond	144.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>442.29</u>	
Total Receipts, Miscellaneous Sources		<u>132,119.76</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL SOURCES		\$2,432,735.48
STATE AND FEDERAL SOURCES:		
Business Profits Tax	\$ 31,747.32	
Highway Subsidy	37,751.14	
Interest and Dividends Tax	68,142.90	
Road Toll Refunds	3,158.29	
Rooms and Meals Tax	32,099.97	
Savings Bank Tax	11,182.13	
Sewage Treatment - Design Phase	9,700.00	
Solid Waste Disposal Contract 5599	10,000.00	
Water Pollution Aid - C-29	26,739.00	
Water Pollution Aid - C-51	13,907.00	
Water Pollution Aid - R-7	1,274.00	
Food Stamp Fees (Federal)	1,612.25	
Sewage Treatment - Design Phase (Federal)	<u>74,000.00</u>	
TOTAL RECEIPTS, STATE AND FEDERAL SOURCES		321,314.00
UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE:		
Fire Department and Dispatch Service	10,726.58	
Incinerator Expenses	33,683.27	
Sewer Bond, 1964 Issue	<u>12,016.18</u>	
TOTAL RECEIPTS, UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE		<u>56,426.03</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS, ALL ABOVE SOURCES		\$2,810,475.51
BORROWING:		
Notes Payable, Sewage Treatment, Design Phase	50,000.00	
Notes Payable, Tax Anticipation	<u>780,000.00</u>	
TOTAL RECEIPTS, BORROWING		<u>830,000.00</u>
GRAND TOTAL, ALL RECEIPTS		<u>3,640,475.51</u>
TOTAL, ALL RECEIPTS AND BEGINNING BALANCE		4,269,765.45

PAID OUT ON SELECTMEN'S ORDER

3,532,006.91

BALANCE, GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT, DECEMBER 31, 1976*

\$ 737,758.54

*Includes \$325,000 invested in short term Certificates of Deposit.

II. FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING ACCOUNT

Balance, Durham Trust Co. Account, January 1, 1976

\$ 68,958.24

RECEIPTS:

United States Treasury Department

\$ 80,030.00

Interest on Certificates of Deposit

4,746.44

TOTAL RECEIPTS

84,776.44

TOTAL RECEIPTS AND BEGINNING BALANCE

\$ 153,734.68

PAID OUT ON SELECTMEN'S ORDER

78,426.18

BALANCE, FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING ACCOUNT, DECEMBER 31, 1976*

\$ 75,308.50

*Includes \$74,000 invested in short term Certificates of Deposit.

III. GREASE HANDLING FACILITIES PROJECT

Balance, Durham Trust Co. Account, January 1, 1976

\$ 43,759.66

RECEIPTS:

Interest on Certificates of Deposit

1,760.01

TOTAL RECEIPTS AND BEGINNING BALANCE

\$ 45,519.67

PAID OUT ON SELECTMEN'S ORDER

23,244.78

BALANCE, GREASE HANDLING FACILITIES PROJECT, DECEMBER 31, 1976*

\$ 22,274.89

*Includes \$22,000 invested in short term Certificates of Deposit

IV. ROAD RESTORATION DEPOSIT ACCOUNT (NEW)

RECEIPTS:

Road Cut Bond Deposits

\$ 2,440.00

Interest on Certificates of Deposit

30.73

TOTAL RECEIPTS

\$ 2,470.73

PAID OUT ON SELECTMEN'S ORDER

450.00

BALANCE, ROAD RESTORATION DEPOSIT ACCOUNT, DECEMBER 31, 1976*

\$ 2,020.73

*Includes \$1,600 invested in short term Certificates of Deposit

V. SEWER CAPITAL EXPENDITURES ACCOUNT

Balance, Durham Trust Co. Account, January 1, 1976 \$ 17,104.22

RECEIPTS:

Sewer Entry Fees \$ 12,205.70
Interest on Certificates of Deposit 791.55

TOTAL RECEIPTS 12,997.25

TOTAL RECEIPTS AND BEGINNING BALANCE \$ 30,101.47

PAID OUT ON SELECTMEN'S ORDER 5,348.85

BALANCE, SEWER CAPITAL EXPENDITURES ACCOUNT, DECEMBER 31, 1976* \$ 24,752.62

*Includes \$12,900 invested in short term Certificates of Deposit

VI. SEWER MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT

Balance, Durham Trust Co. Account, January 1, 1976 \$ 853.83

RECEIPTS:

Sewer Maintenance \$ 30,560.60
Sewer Maintenance, Univ. of N.H. 76,432.40
Sewer Maintenance Interest 49.93
Miscellaneous Reimbursements 489.53

TOTAL RECEIPTS 107,532.46

TOTAL RECEIPTS AND BEGINNING BALANCE \$ 108,386.29

PAID OUT ON SELECTMEN'S ORDER 101,984.00

BALANCE, SEWER MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT, DECEMBER 31, 1976 \$ 6,402.29

VII. WASTE TREATMENT FACILITIES ACCOUNT (NEW)

RECEIPTS:

Federal Grant for Secondary Treatment \$ 42,608.00
State Aid Sewer Grant 11,362.00
Matching Funds Furnished by the Town 2,840.81

TOTAL RECEIPTS \$ 56,810.81

PAID OUT ON SELECTMEN'S ORDER 51,389.09

BALANCE, WASTE TREATMENT FACILITIES ACCOUNT, DECEMBER 31, 1976 \$ 5,421.72

VIII. WATER CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT

Balance, New England Merchants Nat'l Bank Account, January 1, 1976 \$ 27,834.89

RECEIPTS:

Interest on Certificates of Deposit 300.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS AND BEGINNING BALANCE \$ 28,134.89

PAID OUT ON SELECTMEN'S ORDER 28,134.89

BALANCE, WATER CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT, DECEMBER 31, 1976	\$ <u>0.00</u>
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IX. WATER DEPARTMENT ACCOUNT

Balance, Durham Trust Co. Account, January 1, 1976	\$ 16,190.07
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RECEIPTS:

Sale of Water	\$ 53,302.17
Hydrant Rental	11,000.00
Miscellaneous Reimbursements	2,724.36
Interest on Certificates of Deposit	124.98
Transferred from Water Construction Account	<u>18,573.65</u>

TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>85,725.16</u>
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TOTAL RECEIPTS AND BEGINNING BALANCE	\$ 101,915.23
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PAID OUT ON SELECTMEN'S ORDER	<u>84,800.06</u>
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BALANCE, WATER DEPARTMENT ACCOUNT, DECEMBER 31, 1976	\$ 17,115.17
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Water Department Savings Account:

Balance in Account, January 1, 1976	\$ 2,046.82
Dividends Received	<u>111.90</u>

Balance Water Department Savings Account, December 31, 1976	<u>2,158.72</u>
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TOTAL WATER DEPARTMENT FUNDS, DECEMBER 31, 1976	\$ <u>19,273.89</u>
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James W. Christensen

James W. Christensen

Town Treasurer



Tax Collector

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS

PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES

LEVY OF 1976

- DR. -

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$2,072,223.74	
Resident Taxes	29,580.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	232.07	
Sewer Entry Fees	890.00	
Total Warrants		\$2,102,925.81

<u>Yield Taxes</u>		877.55
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Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	\$ 3,031.87	
Resident Taxes	1,300.00	4,331.87

<u>Land Use Change Taxes</u>		-0-
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Overpayments During Year:

a/c Property Taxes	\$ 50.00	
a/c Resident Taxes	100.00	150.00

<u>Interest Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes</u>		299.51
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<u>Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes</u>		82.00
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<u>TOTAL DEBITS</u>		<u>\$2,108,666.74</u>
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Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$1,852,427.41	
Resident Taxes	24,500.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	232.07	
Yield Taxes	877.55	
Land Use Change Taxes	-0-	
Interest Collected	299.51	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	82.00	
Sewer Entry Fees	875.00	\$1,879,293.54

<u>Discounts Allowed</u>		-0-
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Abatements Made During Year:

Property Taxes	\$ 2,375.75	
Resident Taxes	2,400.00	
Yield Taxes	-0-	4,775.75

Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1976 (As Per Collector's List)

Property Taxes	\$ 220,502.45	
Resident Taxes	4,080.00	
Sewer Entry Fees	15.00	224,597.45

TOTAL CREDITS

\$2,108,666.74

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS

PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES

LEVY OF 1975`

- DR. -

Uncollected Taxes - as of January 1, 1976:

Property Taxes	\$193,101.05	
Resident Taxes	<u>5,650.00</u>	\$198,751.05

Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	\$ 1,180.61	
Resident Taxes	<u>1,190.00</u>	2,370.61

Land Use Change Taxes

-0-

Overpayments:

a/c Property Taxes	\$ -0-	
a/c Resident Taxes	<u>10.00</u>	10.00

<u>Interest Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes</u>	9,186.47
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<u>Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes</u>	<u>490.00</u>
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TOTAL DEBITS

\$210,808.13

- CR. -

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year

Ended December 31, 1976:

Property Taxes	\$192,484.48	
Resident Taxes	4,830.00	
Yield Taxes	-0-	
Land Use Change Taxes	-0-	
Interest Collected During Year	9,186.47	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	<u>490.00</u>	\$206,990.95

Abatements Made During Year:

Property Taxes	\$ 1,797.18	
Resident Taxes	2,020.00	
Yield Taxes	<u>-0-</u>	3,817.18

Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1976:

Property Taxes	\$ -0-	
Resident Taxes	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>

TOTAL CREDITS

\$210,808.13

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS

PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES

LEVY OF 1974

- DR. -

Uncollected Taxes - As of January 1, 1976:

Resident Taxes	<u>\$20.00</u>	\$20.00
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Added Taxes:

Resident Taxes	<u>\$10.00</u>	10.00
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Overpayments:

a/c Resident Taxes	\$ -0-	-0-
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Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes		<u>3.00</u>
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TOTAL DEBITS

\$33.00

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Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year

Ended December 31, 1976:

Resident Taxes	\$30.00	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	<u>3.00</u>	\$33.00

Abatements Made During Year:

Resident Taxes	<u>\$ -0-</u>	\$ -0-
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Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1976:

Resident Taxes	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>
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TOTAL CREDITS:

\$33.00

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS

FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1976

- DR. -

-----Tax Sales on Account of Levies of:-----

	1975	1974	1973
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes, January 1, 1976	\$	\$10,641.14	\$3,825.96
Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year	34,679.89		
Interest Collected After Sale	479.51	751.81	841.28
Redemption Costs	59.00	178.00	28.30
Overpayments	100.00	-0-	-0-
TOTAL DEBITS	\$35,318.40	\$11,570.95	\$4,695.54

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Remittances to Treasurer
During Year:

Redemptions	\$24,470.71	\$ 7,644.66	\$3,825.96
Interest & Costs After Sale	538.51	929.81	869.58
Abatements During Year	-0-	-0-	-0-
Deeded to Town During Year	-0-	-0-	-0-
Unredeemed Taxes, December 31, 1976	10,309.18	2,996.48	-0-
TOTAL CREDITS	\$35,318.40	\$11,570.95	\$4,695.54

Town Clerk

Motor Vehicle Permits - 1976	\$83,609.34
Motor Vehicle Permits - 1975	1,410.58
Title Application Fees	1,197.00
Marriage Licenses	225.00
Vital Statistics Copies	158.00
U.C.C. Recordings	109.00
U.C.C. Terminations	18.00
Dog Licenses	1,304.75
Miscellaneous	96.00
TOTAL	\$88,127.67

Statement of

TOWN OF DURHAM

STATEMENT OF LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS

FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1976

<u>Description</u>	<u>Issued</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Original Issue</u>
Sewer Bonds	9/1/64	3.0%	9/1/84	\$ 1,000,000
Incinerator and Site Bonds	5/8/67	4.0%	12/1/77	86,000
College Brook Interceptor Sewer Construction Notes	12/30/68	4.0%	12/1/83	150,000
Town Office Notes	4/3/72	3.5%	12/1/76	32,000
Incinerator Equipment Notes	11/13/72	3.5%	12/1/76	31,000
Grease Handling Facilities Notes	12/29/72	4.0%	12/1/86	83,000
Water Bonds	4/1/75	6.4%	4/1/95	515,000
Fire Dept. - Pumper Notes	7/15/75	5.2%	7/15/80	49,500
Bagdad Road - T.R.A.	8/1/75	4.2%	8/1/78	20,457
Secondary Treatment Design Phase Notes	6/1/76	3.6%	12/1/76	16,700
Secondary Treatment Design Phase Notes	6/1/76	4.0%	12/1/77	16,700
Secondary Treatment Design Phase Notes	6/1/76	4.4%	12/1/78	16,600
Totals				

Bonded Debt

TOWN OF DURHAM
STATEMENT OF LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS
FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1976

PRINCIPAL					INTEREST		
Balance January 1, 1976	Paid 1/1/76- 12/31/76	Balance December 31, 1976	Amount Due		Paid 1/1/76- 12/31/76	Amount Due	
			1977	1978 & Subsequent		1977	1978 & Subsequent
\$ 450,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 400,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 350,000	\$ 13,500	\$ 12,000	\$ 42,000
17,200	8,600	8,600	8,600	-	703	351	-
80,000	10,000	70,000	10,000	60,000	3,253	2,839	8,521
6,400	6,400	-	-	-	228	-	-
6,200	6,200	-	-	-	221	-	-
60,867	5,533	55,334	5,533	49,801	2,475	2,244	10,104
515,000	30,000	485,000	30,000	455,000	32,000	30,080	229,360
44,550	9,900	34,650	9,900	24,750	2,355	1,827	2,229
20,457	20,457	-	-	-	287	-	-
-	16,700	-	-	-	306	-	-
-	-	16,700	16,700	-	341	680	-
-	-	16,600	-	16,600	372	744	745
<u>\$1,200,674</u>	<u>\$ 163,790</u>	<u>\$ 1,086,884</u>	<u>\$ 130,733</u>	<u>\$ 956,151</u>	<u>\$ 56,041</u>	<u>\$ 50,765</u>	<u>\$ 292,959</u>

Comparative Tax Rate per \$1,000 Valuation

Year Percent of Valuation	1971 92	1972 92	1973-74 81	1974-75 81	1975 62	1976 62
Land and Buildings	\$33,057,020	\$34,309,830	\$36,256,535	\$37,360,625	\$38,275,036	\$38,973,510
Electric Property	889,950	889,950	960,850	999,250	842,050	985,050
Boats and Launches	9,600	13,575	13,900	18,250	16,250	17,550
Sub-Total	\$33,956,570	\$35,213,355	\$37,231,285	\$38,378,125	\$39,133,336	\$39,976,110
Elderly and Blind Exemptions	61,800	71,000	61,750	58,600	58,400	132,400
TOTAL FOR TAXATION	\$33,894,770	\$35,142,355	\$37,169,535	\$38,319,525(a)	\$39,074,936(b)	\$39,843,710

24 (a) Basis for Town share of 1975 tax bill. See (c) below.

(b) Basis for School & County share of 1975 tax bill.

Tax Rate

	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976
Town	\$ 7.50	\$ 9.40	\$ 8.80 (a)	\$10.70 (b)	\$12.70 (c)	\$14.20
School	35.40	33.50	32.40	33.40	35.10	34.60
County	2.30	2.30	2.20	2.30	3.80	3.70
TOTAL	\$45.20	\$45.20	\$43.40	\$46.40	\$51.60	\$52.50

(a) 2/3 of 1973-74 18-Mo. tax rate
 (b) 1/3 of 1973-74 18-Mo. tax rate (4.40)
 1/3 of 1974-75 18-Mo. tax rate (6.30)
 (c) 2/3 of 1974-75 18-Mo. tax rate

Welfare

In 1976 Durham allocated \$8,000 for welfare expenditures with \$4,000 coming from revenue sharing funds and \$4,000 from Town funds. Revenue sharing funds in the amount of \$3,529 were used to assist seven families and eleven individuals, a total of 35 persons. Approximately \$2,000 from Town funds helped to support four persons receiving Old Age Assistance (OAA). From the remaining Town funds \$156 were used for general assistance and \$1,620 were used to help support Durham's two day care centers. Each Town dollar given to day care was matched by three dollars from the federal government. All funds and operations of the day care centers are closely monitored by the New Hampshire Department of Health and Welfare.

Durham residents are often surprised to hear that there is poverty in this community and that there are families receiving Aid to Mothers with Dependent Children (AFDC). Poverty in any community is often hidden, but the need is there nevertheless. And this is true in Durham. AFDC is a categorical assistance program for female heads of families with dependent children. The federal government provides 60.28% of the funds and the State of New Hampshire 39.72%. No contribution is required of local communities.

We can no longer speak in terms of good and bad years for those who are poor and/or unemployed in New Hampshire. It has been a bad decade for the poor and disadvantaged. New Hampshire is a particularly unpleasant state in which to be poor, in need of welfare or unemployed. It is one of, if not the most, difficult state in which to obtain unemployment benefits (GRASS-ROOTS, 1/21/77, a newspaper published by N. H. Legal Assistance). Moreover, New Hampshire refuses to give welfare assistance to a family when the father is able-bodied, unemployed and unable to find employment, even when unemployment benefits are exhausted. In such a situation often the only recourse for a family is for the parents to obtain a divorce so that the mother and children may receive Aid to Mothers with Dependent Children (AFDC).

The fact that New Hampshire has no income tax is no comfort to poor, old and disabled people or handicapped and disadvantaged children. The 1977 Legislature is struggling with a budget deficit of approximately 25 million dollars. The governor has called for a 10% across-the-board decrease in state agency budgets at a time of stunning inflationary attrition of social service dollars. It is likely that the money paid out to towns and cities will also be reduced.

A lack of funds for essential social services may well mean open season on welfare recipients in New Hampshire, the majority of whom are women and children who receive AFDC assistance. Not only does the state determine their grants by 1969 standards; it continues to reduce their benefits and when they do find part-time work to subtract discouragingly high amounts from their grants. This is true of those women on AFDC who are attending the University of New Hampshire in the hope that with an education they will be able to get themselves off the welfare rolls and onto the tax rolls. There are at least 75 mothers on AFDC now attending the University. Of these approximately 25 families live in Durham. Contrary to what some people believe, these women have a constant struggle to make ends meet for their families. It is a wearing and discouraging existence for many of them. Anyone who wishes further information about the AFDC program need only to call me at 868-2281.

In addition to anticipated state budget cuts in welfare and social service programs for the people of New Hampshire, the USDA is attempting to cut back on food stamp benefits when food stamps are already too expensive for many and the allotments too low for an adequate diet. In New

Hampshire, there is presently no provision for emergency on-the-spot food stamps. Applicants must wait about a month before receiving authorization to buy food stamps. As many of them have no other means, they are referred to thier local welfare officers for interim food assistance. Durham received a number of these referrals in 1976.

Ursula Bowring



Revenue Sharing Report

Balance 12/31/75:		\$ 68,958.24
Received from Federal Sources	80,030.00	
Interest Earned:	4,746.44	84,776.44
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Total Available:		\$153,734.68

Expended 1976

Acct. <u>No.</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Expended</u>	
56	Remodeling Office	2,600.00	-0-	
69.10	Cruiser Purchase	4,500.00	4,021.97	
75.05	Purchase New Equipment	2,900.00	2,370.16	
79.07	Purchase New Equipment	1,650.00	746.33	
84.05	Traffic Control Signs	4,000.00	4,000.00	
89.02-1	Town Beautification	2,230.00	2,230.00	
91	Sidewalks	4,200.00	4,132.73	
94	Town Garage	6,000.00	-0-	
97.01	Truck	16,000.00	13,725.50	
97.02	Compressor	6,000.00	5,841.30	
97.03	Sand Spreader	2,100.00	1,795.00	
97.04	Plow Blades	3,000.00	3,000.00	
97.05	Radios	2,500.00	2,420.00	
106.01	Reappraisal of Property	20,000.00	7,415.15	
107	Bronze Plaque	1,200.00	1,150.00	
109.01	Comprehensive Plan Update	10,000.00	514.88	
111 .	ORHHA	3,000.00	3,000.00	
113.05	Update J. Hatch Map	500.00	500.00	
116.12	Engineering Study	1,750.00	-0-	
116.14	Wood Chipper	3,750.00	3,750.00	
209.01	Retirement Group I	10,000.00	4,405.83	
Bal.St	Long Term Notes Principal	13,956.87	11,950.79	
303.02	Long Term Notes Interest	176.13	176.13	
304.03	Long Term Notes Principal	12,600.00	12,600.00	
502.01	Welfare	4,000.00	3,528.94	
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	Total Expended	138,613.00	93,274.71	
	Appropriations Carried Forward		38,403.81	
	Total Expended and Committed 1976		<hr/>	\$131,678.52
				22,056.16
	Balance Unexpended 1976			6,934.48
	Balance Unappropriated 12/31/76			<hr/>
				15,121.68
	Balance Unexpended 1976			6,934.48
	Anticipated Revenue 1977	101,128.00		
	Anticipated Interest 1977	4,849.00		
	Total Revenue 1977		<hr/>	105,977.00
	Available for Appropriation, 1977 Budget			\$128,033.16

Durham Ambulance Corps

The Durham Ambulance Corps, a volunteer organization, was founded in 1968 in memory of Dr. George C. MacGregor who served Durham and the surrounding communities for many years. The Corps provides free emergency medical care and ambulance service to residents of Durham, Madbury, Lee, the University of New Hampshire and a large portion of Barrington.

This past year, the Ambulance Corps purchased a new Lifeguard ambulance. The vehicle is a modular design on a Chevrolet chassis. This is the second new ambulance that the Corps has purchased since its formation in 1968. The new ambulance is now housed in the Durham-UNH Fire Station, and is used for all emergency calls.

The Corps' 1972 Cadillac ambulance will be used to answer transfer-type calls, thus keeping the new ambulance available to handle any emergency calls which might occur. The Cadillac is now being housed in the new Lee Fire Station. Due to a lack of space in the Durham Station, it is impossible to house both units together.

It is important to note that the 1972 Cadillac is being used only as a second ambulance when needed and for transfer-type responses. It is used to respond to emergency calls only when the new unit is unavailable.

With the increasing number of calls that we are answering, we hope that the added flexibility of having two ambulances will greatly improve our ability to serve the community.

In addition to responding to the various emergencies, personnel of the Durham Ambulance Corps have volunteered many hours to stand by at the University football games, horse shows and competitions, Bloodmobile drawings and certain University classes. A large number of lectures and demonstrations concerning first aid have been presented before various community groups, University functions and dormitory residents.

The Durham Ambulance Corps is presently made up of 30 active members, including 11 New Hampshire registered Emergency Medical Technicians, 7 nationally registered Emergency Medical Technicians, 9 members currently enrolled in an Emergency Medical Technician course and 3 members with Red Cross Advanced First Aid and Emergency Care. The Emergency Medical Technician class is presently the highest level of training available to ambulance attendants. It involves 71 hours of classroom work taught by a combination of EMT instructors, of which we have 3 in the Corps, and doctors and nurses from the local area emergency rooms. Also included in the course is 10 hours of experience working in the Dover Hospital Emergency Room. All active members of the Corps are license ambulance attendants in the State of New Hampshire. We also have a number of Associate and Honorary members throughout the community.

Membership in the Durham Ambulance Corps is through necessity limited to those persons whose day or night response time to the Durham-UNH Fire Station from their residence or place of employment is less than eight minutes from the time of activation of their radio pager, a pocket unit carried by persons on call.

We welcome any members of the community that have a minimum of Advanced First Aid, are 18 years of age and have a valid New Hampshire drivers license to come and join us. We require a minimum of 48 hours on call or two runs a month in order to maintain a degree of proficiency. For those people that might be interested but do not have the necessary Advanced First

Aid and Emergency Care, the Durham Chapter of the American National Red Cross provides a number of courses throughout the year.

I believe a word of thanks would be in order at this point for all the help we have received from Mrs. Carolyn Wooster who is in charge of all Red Cross first aid training for the Durham area. She has always been more than willing to help us with training supplies, setting up courses and in training instructors.

Our members make every effort possible to increase their knowledge and skills; several attended a three-day seminar entitled "Basic Emergency Care" presented by the New Hampshire Hospital Association and directed toward ambulance corps personnel and emergency room nurses and doctors. Other courses attended by members of the Corps include a "Sudden Infant Death Syndrome" seminar and a "Cardiac Pulmonary Resuscitation Instructor Clinic" presented by the New Hampshire Heart Association, and a two-day "Vehicle Extrication Module". Also many of our EMT's are members of the Dover area Chapter of the New Hampshire EMT Association whose function will be to provide on-going training to all EMT's in the area.

Continuous training exercises were carried out during the year - members were able to refine their skills in all fields of emergency care and transportation. Joint training exercises were held with the Durham-UNH Fire Department to insure a close cooperation and understanding of each other's function. Just a word at this point about the medical aid policy that we have with the Fire Department. Due to the response time of volunteers who are usually at their homes when a call comes in, the Fire Department responds to all serious emergencies and renders immediate first aid until the ambulance arrives. This system has worked out extremely well and has resulted in a very close working relationship between the two departments.

There are a number of acknowledgements that should be made at this time. First and foremost is to all of the members of the Corps who have given unselfishly of their time during the last year to provide excellent quality medical care to the community. I especially wish to thank the officers of the Corps who have spent many additional hours doing the necessary clerical, maintenance and operational work needed to keep an operation of this size working efficiently.

Thanks should also go to the Durham Fire Department for providing housing for our vehicle and doing the daily maintenance checks on the ambulance. We would also like to thank the Dispatch Center for the help they have given us. Thanks to the Lee Fire Department for providing storage for our second ambulance and to all the local area Police Departments for their excellent help and cooperation during the past year.

The Durham Ambulance Corps also expresses its deep appreciation to the many persons who made generous donations to the Corps. During 1976 gifts were received in memory of the following people: Loring V. Tirrell, Alma Lunt, Marina Marelli, Winnifred Dean, Bertha Simpson, Camelia Beaudet, Olive Forrest, Frances Pond, Nicholas Colovos, Agnes Browne, Harry Munroe, Bradford McIntire, Harold Iddles, S. E. Holz, Marion Solt, Mary Comstock, Beryl Scott, Howard Eaton and Matilda Walsh. These gifts amounted to \$4,548.00.

During 1976 the members of the Corps put in a total of 17,813 hours on call. When you add to this the time that Corpsmen put in at stand-bys and assisting at Bloodbanks, etc., the total comes close to 20,000 hours of service to the Community.

A breakdown of the calls the MacGregor Memorial Ambulance responded to in 1976 follows:

1975

	<u>Runs</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Durham	171	36
UNH	185	39
Lee	65	13
Barrington	23	5
Madbury	21	4
Nottingham	15	3
	<u>480</u>	<u>100</u>

1976

	<u>Runs</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Durham	177	31
UNH	233	40
Lee	98	17
Barrington	35	6
Madbury	17	3
Nottingham	16	3
	<u>576</u>	<u>100</u>

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Howe, President

Susan Clark, 2nd V. P.

Martin Smith,
Secretary

Robert Wood, Operational
V. P.

Jon Kipp, Training
Coordinator

Frank Heald,
Treasurer



A second ambulance was put into service at the end of 1976 by the Durham Ambulance Corps. The vehicle on the right became the first-run ambulance and the 1972 Cadillac on the left will be used for transfer runs.

Fire Commissioners

During the past year, there have been many activities and changes in the Durham-UNH Fire Department: the relocation of our dispatch center facilities to a more appropriate location, improved fire prevention and training programs, and site studies for a new fire station. Also Chief Paul G. Long's resignation, and the selection of a search and screen committee for a new fire chief. Two new members were appointed to the Board of Fire Commissioners during this year.

The Board of Fire Commissioners' principle goals and objectives for 1977 are increased salary benefits for department personnel, development of a comprehensive personnel policy, selection of a new fire chief and the development of a new fire station.

The Commissioners wish to thank our officers and firefighters, both call and permanent, for their loyal and dedicated service to the Durham-UNH Fire Department. We especially want to thank Deputy Chief Roland LaRoche for assuming the difficult task of Acting Chief during our selection process.

Lastly, members of the Board of Fire Commissioners take this opportunity to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to those Town and University officials and to the many wonderful citizens who have supported our efforts during the past year. A very special thanks goes to Norman W. Stiles who retired this year from the Board of Fire Commissioners after 31 years of dedicated service. Many thanks, Norm, for your dedication to service and duty to your community.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard L. Proulx
James C. Chamberlin
David A. Flanders, Chairman
Board of Fire Commissioners

Fire Department

During the past year, the Fire Department has continually strived to give the community the best fire protection the budget would allow. Through dedication by the permanent firefighters and their thorough determination, they have continuously trained and educated themselves to be more proficient at their trade, thus giving the people of Durham professional and capable services when needed.

It is often said that these individuals are being paid to perform their duties and fulfill their responsibilities, however, there is a line where individuals with ability, determination, and dedication beyond the normal job requirements become evident. These qualities can be found in our firefighters.

In addition to our permanent members, we have Call Firefighters who receive compensation only when called upon to perform firefighting duties. These men are required to have knowledge in firefighting techniques. The purpose of these individuals is to supplement the permanent manpower during all types of emergencies. The Call Force is in fact the backbone of the department. Their dedication is second to none and they should receive all the respect due them. Below are the names of the Call Firefighters who for the most part are your next-door neighbors. We feel it appropriate to have

them recognized as dedicated individuals who perform overwhelming requirements with very little cost to the taxpayers of Durham.

David Curran
Murrell Thompson
Nelson Kennedy
William Wood
Jim Davis
Patrick Ahearn

Norman Lamontagne
Erwin Mundy
Maynard Cross
Parker Ayer
Peter Valentine

Mike Latessa
Jonathan Kipp
Ralph Seymour
Larry Sweatt
Doug Chapman

During recent years the department has had a very difficult time recruiting call firefighters. This creates a serious manpower problem and puts additional burdens on the existing members.

The Call Department is made up of town residents and university students whose duty it is to respond when called and assist the permanent fire shift on duty. Approximately 80% of the everyday emergencies that occur in town and on campus are handled by the four or five permanent men on duty. Occasionally (78 times in 1976) major fires or other incidents occur which require increased manpower. At such times the Call Force fills the need.

One of the typical functions is to cover the station for the next alarm while the duty shift is occupied at a motor vehicle accident or out of Town helping another department under the mutual aid agreements. For this purpose the Call Force is on call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Many of the members are equipped with pocket radio monitors which receive a signal from the Dispatch Center. In addition to these pocket units, most callmen have larger units in their homes which can receive most radio traffic in the seacoast area of a fire alarm nature. These radio scanners and monitors have proven most efficient in reducing Call Department response time and increasing the number of people notified of emergency situations.

The work load of the Call Force has increased significantly over the past year due to a drop in membership. A town the size of Durham should have a call force of no less than 30. We currently have only 16 members of which 8 are students. This means that during summer recess, when fire danger can be high, our already insufficient numbers are cut in half. A real need exists for town residents to join this organization if Durham is to continue to enjoy its current high quality of fire protection.

In addition to twice monthly training sessions and meetings, callmen took part in many first aid classes, seminars, and other miscellaneous training exercises.

A new fire station is still in the early planning stages, while the present station continues to become very limited for the services demanded of it.

We would like to express, at this time, our gratitude to Durham residents and the Town of Lee, New Hampshire for storing some of our equipment for the winter months. Without their concern these units would have been subjected to the elements and thus the possibility of additional costs for repairs of damages caused by weathering.

During the past year the Fire Department, along with other municipal departments and the University, incorporated one emergency telephone number, 862-1212, for all emergency services within the town and University community. This number improves emergency reporting many ways. It is a quicker and easier number to both remember and dial, and it serves both town and university residents. Through the cooperation of all the services involved, telephone stickers were purchased and distributed throughout the joint community.

There was no appropriation in the 1976 budget for apparatus. However, with the cooperation of the New Hampshire Department of Forest and Lands, the Fire Department acquired, at no cost, a surplus Jeep. This will be a great asset in our much needed area of brush fire suppression.

The Fire Department responded 823 times in 1976. This is an increase of 51 calls over those received in 1975. Only ten of these alarms were bell alarms, which indicates that both the town and academic communities have become aware of fire safety and prevention, along with their excellent cooperation in reporting the emergencies promptly.

Summary of Alarms

House Fires	3	FIRE ALARMS:	
Dormitory Room Fires	1	Legitimate	8
Kitchen Fires	3	Accidental false	83
Barn Fires	1	Malicious false	41
Smoke/Odor Investigation	81	Malfunction	25
Electrical	58	Sprinkler Alarms	1
Incinerator	12	Bomb Threats	24
Inside Rubbish	4	Auto Accidents	35
Oil Burner	5	Medical Aid	110
Clothes Dryer/ Washing Machine	5	Gas/Fuel Oil Spills	47
Stove	8	Vehicle Fire	25
Chimney Fires	15	Grass, Brush, Wood	19
LP Gas Incidents	14	Power Lines Down	13
Chemical Spills/Leaks	3	Outside Rubbish	11
Elevator Rescues	30	Dump	13
Lost Person Search	1	Permit Fire Investigations	7
Mutual Aid	12	Miscellaneous	7
		Misc. Suspicious	<u>2</u>
Bell Alarms	10	SUB-TOTAL	727
Stills	717		
Service Calls	<u>96</u>		
TOTAL	823		

Bureau of Fire Prevention

During 1976, fire prevention activities played an active role in the day to day operations of the Durham-UNH Fire Department. The purpose of a fire prevention program is to lessen the physical, occupational, and moral hazards which contribute to the occurrence and spread of fire.

The activities of the Fire Prevention Bureau are coordinated on a full-time basis by a Lieutenant. These activities include building inspections, special hazard inspections, review and approval of building plans, fire code interpretation and enforcement, supervising and scheduling special events, firefighter details, investigation of fires, supervision of fire evacuation drills, and presentation of programs to the public in fire extinguisher use and general fire safety.

In-service inspections by regular firefighting personnel continued to improve life safety conditions in public buildings, apartments, dormitories, and places of business, and also increased firefighter familiarization with the inherent hazards and characteristics of those buildings. With the assistance of the Training Officer, all permanent personnel and several callmen were instructed in the basic techniques of fire inspection and the use of fire codes.

Formal fire safety programs have been and are presented regularly to various groups such as boy scouts, dormitory residential staff, and town and University employees. During fire prevention week younger age groups in the elementary school were treated to a talk on home fire escape plan-

ning and an outdoor firefighting demonstration. These programs as well as classes in the proper use of fire extinguishers are available on request to any group in the community. A program on the hazards of fireworks was presented to Middle School students just prior to summer vacation.

Home fire safety inspections were conducted upon request by residents, and a great many chimney and wood stove inspections were conducted throughout the year.

Night-time fire safety inspections were conducted in restaurants, bars, and other places of assembly during their peak business periods. The purpose of these inspections is to monitor compliance with emergency lighting and exit requirements and capacity limits.

The Training Officer and Prevention Officer coordinated the special events training program for those firefighters who are on standby duty at large athletic events and public gatherings. Firefighters are instructed in crowd control, public courtesy, building familiarization, and procedures to be followed in the event of an emergency. Of course, they must also be proficient in first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, and the use of fire extinguishers.

For the third year in a row, the UNH dormitory room fire inspection program has been remarkably successful in eliminating common hazards and educating students in good fire safety practices. Intensive investigations, conducted by the University Police Department and the Fire Prevention Bureau, of dormitory false fire alarm incidents has culminated in the apprehension, prosecution, and conviction of several individuals. The effect has been a dramatic decrease in the number of malicious false fire alarms transmitted to the Durham-UNH Fire Department.

In order to keep well abreast of modern fire prevention technology, the Fire Prevention Officer attended a three-day seminar on the Life Safety Code that was sponsored by the National Fire Protection Association. He also attended a one-week bombing investigation school that was conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Various personnel attended programs and courses on early warning fire detection and suppression systems, fire codes and standards, sprinkler systems, and basic fire prevention and inspection techniques.

During the past year, the Fire Prevention Bureau received and made recommendations concerning the construction of and renovations to many buildings in Town and on Campus. Among the major projects were the UNH Alumni House, the new Community Church fire alarm system, and the UNH building fire alarm improvement project. During the review and approval of such projects, the Fire Prevention Officer works closely with the Building Inspector, the Planning Assistant, the Planning Board, the UNH Office of Physical Plant Development, and the UNH Office of Planning and Engineering.

The members of the Durham-UNH Fire Department wish to emphasize to residents the importance of installing at least one early warning smoke detector in your home to alert you and your family in the event of a fire. Most Americans who die in home fires die during the night-time hours. Usually, it is smoke, toxic gases, or lack of oxygen -- not the fire itself -- that kills them. In countless instances these lives would be saved if the victims were awakened to the presence of a fire in its early stages by a smoke detector.

Any resident who wishes further information about purchasing and installing home devices should telephone or visit the fire station. We will be more than happy to assist you.

Summary of Fire Prevention Activities

In-Service Inspections	
By the On-duty Shift Personnel	195
Inspections by the Fire Prevention Bureau	230
Permits Issued:	
Place of Assembly	12
Temporary Place of Assembly	43
Oil Burner Installation	13
Fireworks Use	2
Blasting	14

Bureau of Training

During 1976 the men of the Durham-UNH Fire Department were involved in a wide variety of training activities. Officer training included sending one man to a ten-week management development course sponsored by UNH In-Service Training. Four officers attended a "Fire Service Management Seminar" at the Vocational Technology College in Laconia, New Hampshire, the Training Officer attended a four-week "Video Tape Workshop" to better prepare training materials and three officers attended an emergency preparedness exercise put on by the UNH Office of Emergency Planning.

Other formal programs that officers and men attended during the past year were a one-day car fire clinic in Concord, New Hampshire, a one-day radio operators and dispatchers training course held at the Fire Station, a "Barn and Stable" fire clinic held at Harwich, Massachusetts, and a one-day "Hospital Fire and Evacuation" course held at the New Hampshire State Hospital by the New Hampshire Fire Marshall's Office. Several advanced first aid, EMT, CPR, and EMT refresher courses were taken by Call and Permanent firefighters. Department members also attended a cold weather safety talk, a fire photography seminar in Franklin, New Hampshire, and a three-hour course held on "Fire Investigation, Field Information" taught by New Hampshire Fire Service Training, a state agency.

Permanent and Call firefighters attended weekend fire schools in New Hampshire and Vermont, a one-day L.P. gas school at the SEA-3 facility in Newington, New Hampshire, where they became familiar with the properties of this common hazardous material. Our newest full-time firefighter supplemented his on-the-job training by attending a three-day basic firemanship course at the Topsfield, Massachusetts Fire and Rescue Academy followed by a "Hose and Ladder" course offered at the Seacoast Mutual Aid Association's drill yard in Brentwood, New Hampshire.

Five permanent men are continuing their education by attending fire science courses offered nights on the UNH campus that will in time earn them an Associates Degree in Fire Protection. Firefighters and ambulance corps personnel attended a training session on I.V. therapy taught by Hood House nurses. The Fire Department and Ambulance Corps frequently drill and train together and are daily providing excellent emergency care to those stricken in the town and campus area. In February members of both organizations participated in a "wet" ice rescue drill at the outdoor pool.

Last year the Edgewood Road million gallon water storage tank was shut down for a month for maintenance. To insure adequate fire protection during this shutdown period, hydrants in the affected area were flow tested to check on the degree of impairment. Contingency fire plans were made to insure an adequate water supply in the event of fire during the shutdown. Also during 1976 town hydrants were color coded in accordance with a nationally-recognized code which lets firefighters estimate the available gallonage from any hydrant at a glance.

The New Hampshire Commission on Minimum Fire Training Standards held a hearing in Durham to allow input into new proposed standards for the training of firefighters. The Durham-UNH Fire Department has already adopted part of the standards and hopes to adopt the entire program. This will allow firefighters to progress through an orderly, structured program of advancement and training based on demonstrated skills. The two-day outdoor training session for Deputy Forest Fire Wardens in Strafford County was held in Durham this year by the Department of Forests and Lands, a state agency. The six dry hydrants on ponds and streams in the town were inspected in detail and all were found to be in poor repair. Since most are privately owned, their upkeep is the responsibility of the individual owner and not the town or the Fire Department.

Other services performed include frequent on-site training and inspections at the Church Hill Apartments to insure that firefighters were familiar with the building's alarm system and pre-fire plans for this important complex. A two-hour course of instruction was started for all UNH Kari-Van drivers on the use of portable fire extinguishers. Dozens of fireplaces, chimney and wood stove installations were inspected by the duty shifts at the request of homeowners to insure the safety of town residents. A seminar on "Hazardous Materials" was presented by this department with over 200 people attending from four states. New public buildings under construction were visited frequently by the duty shifts to familiarize themselves with layout and construction details.

This report would not be complete without acknowledging the assistance the Bureau of Training has received from the many University and Town departments. We are unique in the state for having the resources of a large university available to us, which allows us to get involved in many programs unavailable to other departments. This wealth of resources has helped us to attract well-qualified people to the department.

Division of Maintenance

The Division of Maintenance for the past year has, through the joint efforts of all officers and men of the department, kept all apparatus and equipment ready to use at a moment's notice by daily, weekly, monthly, and annual inspections, maintenance and testing; maintained a supply of most commonly used lubricants, bulbs, gaskets, ignition parts, batteries, cleaning supplies, paints, and such as to better allow uninterrupted service of the vehicles, equipment, and apparatus; and participated in fire prevention, fire inspection and fire service training as was requested or as time allowed.

Apparatus Inventory

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Model Year</u>	<u>Make</u>	<u>Type of Vehicle</u>	<u>Capacity</u>
1	1975	Mack	Triple Combination Pumper	1,250 GPM
1	1971	Maxim	Triple Combination Pumper	1,000 GPM
1	1965	Mack	Triple Combination Pumper	1,000 GPM
*1	1964	Mack	Tractor Trailer Tanker	4,000 Gals.
1	1954	Seagrave	Aerial Ladder	75 Feet
**1	1954	Ford	Tanker Pumper	600 gal/ 500 GPM
***1	1974	Plym.	Chief's Car	4 Dr. Sedan
****1	1971	Ford	Utility Van	1/2 ton
***1	1970	Chev.	Fire Prevention Wagon	----
*****1	1963	Willys	4-Wheel Drive Jeep	----
*****1	1976	Chev.	Ambulance	1-ton box type

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Model Year</u>	<u>Make</u>	<u>Type of Vehicle</u>	<u>Capacity</u>
*****1	1972	Cadil.	Ambulance	54" head room

* This vehicle is stored at the new Lee Fire Station for the winter months due to lack of space at the Durham station. The tank is empty.

** This vehicle is stored at the old Lee Fire Station for the winter months due to lack of space at the Durham station.

*** These vehicles are stored outside the Durham station due to lack of space.

**** This vehicle is out of service at this time and is being stored at the UNH garages.

***** This vehicle is out of service and is presently being stored in the garage of one of call firefighters of this department.

***** This vehicle belongs to the McGregor Memorial Volunteer Ambulance Corps of Durham and is being housed at the Durham station.

***** This vehicle belongs to the McGregor Memorial Volunteer Ambulance Corps of Durham and is being housed at the new Lee Fire Station.

Dispatch Center

The Durham-UNH Dispatch Center is under the budgetary supervision of the Chief of the Durham-UNH Fire Department. The Center is located on the ground floor of the UNH Service Building on College Road.

On August 1, 1976 the Center moved from the Durham-UNH Fire Station into larger quarters in the UNH Service Building, directly beneath the Fire Station. This relocation has allowed for major expansion of our emergency reference files which include street directories, hazardous chemicals listings, fire pre-plans, and area maps.

Relocation of the Center also affords greater security for our operations with an acoustically-constructed radio room, electronic door locks, and a more efficient air conditioning system for proper maintenance of our radio console equipment.

The effective use of our new location and centralized dispatching service was graphically illustrated when an Emergency Operations Center was established during the storm Hurricane "Belle" this past year. Supervisory personnel for the Fire Department, Police Department, Ambulance Corps, Public Works, Civil Defense, other Town agencies, UNH services, along with the Durham Board of Selectmen cooperatively handled public safety decisions and contingencies during the storm.

On August 1, 1976 the Town of Durham along with the University of New Hampshire, and the Madbury Fire Department adopted the use of 862-1212 as a single emergency telephone number for Fire, Police, or Ambulance emergencies. In four months from August to December 1976, 931 EMERGENCY calls for assistance were logged using this number.

The Dispatch Center utilizes five permanent dispatchers, and three part-time substitute dispatchers in handling dispatch operations. During 1976 a position from the Manpower Office was instituted with good results.

The Center utilizes seven two-way radio frequencies, monitors ten other area frequencies, and presently answers 21 telephone lines in providing dispatching services with 14 agencies. The Dispatch Center either handles the dispatching or assists the following departments:

FIRE DEPARTMENTS

1. Durham-UNH Fire Department
2. Madbury Fire Department
3. Greenland Fire Department
4. Barrington Fire Department
5. Lee Fire Department
6. Newmarket Fire Department
7. Nottingham Fire Department

POLICE DEPARTMENTS

1. Durham Police Department
2. University of New Hampshire
Police Department
3. Lee Police Department

The Center also has the radio capacity of contacting the Strafford County Sheriff's Department Dispatch and the New Hampshire State Police Headquarters in Concord.

The Center serves as one of three regional Mutual Aid Dispatch Centers for the Seacoast Interstate Emergency Unit.

PUBLIC SAFETY AGENCIES

1. Durham Ambulance Corps
2. Durham Department of Public Works
3. UNH Work Control
4. UNH Department of Public Safety

During the calendar year of 1976, 176,971+ radio and telephone calls were handled through the Durham-UNH Dispatch Center.

The benefit of centralized emergency dispatching is realized on a daily basis through the Center. Each year sees an increase in the number of calls handled by the agencies dispatched through the Center; with this increase there are more multiple incidents which require the coordination among the emergency services. The Dispatch Center has the resources to effectively coordinate mutual responses and respond to outside Mutual Aid in the shortest possible time. Our town's resources as well as those of neighboring communities can be mobilized to provide the best possible protection for you, our citizens.

The purchase of a new two-channel base radio for use with the Fire Department mobile and portable units, as well as the relocation of Police and Service Departments base radios, all connected to emergency power, will allow for more effective radio communications.

The Durham Public Works Department entered our emergency services system with the purchase of several mobile radios and the relocation, with the cooperation of the Durham Ambulance Corps, of their base radio and antenna for more effective radio operations. This addition enables the Public Works personnel to operate more efficiently on a daily basis and during winter months will allow the Department to assist the other emergency services in response to emergency calls.

In 1976 we have been able to increase the effectiveness and efficiency of your Dispatch Center with the move to a larger facility, purchase of more sophisticated radio equipment, and the streamlining of our daily response procedures. These improvements enable us to initiate and coordinate Fire, Police, Ambulance, and Service forces with greater efficiency and accuracy.

The personnel of the Durham-UNH Dispatch Center are trained to provide the visitors to Durham and the University, and you, our residents, with the most professional dispatching services possible. Durham is fortunate to have well-trained, well-equipped emergency services personnel and the Dispatch Center stands ready to coordinate the most efficient response of these agencies in time of need.

Respectfully submitted,

Roland LaRoche
Acting Chief



Police Department

There were few changes within the Police Department during the year, 1976.

In general, there were some personnel changes and improved coverage was provided the downtown area as a result of the hiring of an additional man. We are pleased to report that two officers received degrees, and that they, and other members of the department, are continuing their education through the Criminal Justice Programs conducted by St. Anselm's College and the New Hampshire Technical College. Officers also have, and are, continuing to attend training sessions provided by the New Hampshire Standards and Training Council.

Personnel changes involved the resignation of Officer William Ennis, and the hiring of Officer Edward Levesque as his replacement. Officer Ennis resigned in July, in order to accept employment as a patrolman with the Deerfield, Illinois, Police Department. Officer Levesque has several years' experience as a special officer with Durham and other area police departments. Prior to being hired, Officer Levesque was a member of the University Security Department. He became a certified police officer immediately upon employment, as he had successfully completed the State Police Academy prior to employment.

In March, with the passage of the Town budget, an additional man was hired, bringing the strength of the regular force to twelve men. Officer Larry Hamer is a certified officer, having three years' experience as a member of the Derry, New Hampshire, Police Department.

We have been able to increase the coverage in the downtown area as a result of this addition to the force. We feel that this coverage has served as a deterrent to acts of criminal mischief, disorderly conduct, and theft.

Tragedy struck during April of 1976, when the Town experienced a murder. Life-long residents cannot recall a murder having ever been committed in Durham. As a result of an intensive investigation involving the joint efforts of our department with the county sheriff's department, state departments of police and Fish and Game, Portsmouth Police Department, U. S. Naval Authorities, and the F. B. I., a suspect has been taken into custody and is presently awaiting re-trial.

In the area of education, we are very pleased to report that officers, Lt. Leslie Jewell and Det. Sgt. Paul W. Gowen, have received Associate Degrees in Criminal Justice from St. Anselm's College. Officer James Faria completed his requirements for an Associate's Degree in December, and will receive his degree from St. Anselm's at their graduation in May of 1977.

We are also very proud to announce that Lt. Leslie Jewell has been accepted to attend the F.B.I. National Academy, held at Quantico, Virginia. This is the 108th session - an eleven-week course of study, running from January 9, 1977 through March 24, 1977.

In June, Sgt. Kenneth Laderbush attended a Bomb Investigation School conducted at the New Hampshire Technical Institute, Concord, N. H.

In July, Det. Sgt. Paul W. Gowen attended a seminar on Automobile Arson, conducted by the State Fire Marshal's Office.

The department continues to experience a slow-down in activities during school vacations. An intensified house-check program has been implemented by this department during these vacation periods and hopefully has served as a deterrent to potential burglars. This house-check service is available to residents, and we encourage participation in the program.

1976 produced 673 moving motor vehicle violations, of which 247 violators were arrested for speeding, 49 violators were arrested for driving while intoxicated, and 377 violators were arrested for "other" moving motor vehicle violations. The year also produced 179 accidents, of which 68 people sustained personal injuries and there were 2 fatalities on our roads.

The Durham Police Department looks forward in 1977 to serving our community with the most efficient organization that we can produce. We have an open-door policy and ask your support and understanding as the year, 1977, progresses.



1976 ACTIVITY REPORT

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
Parking Violations	6397	4471
Buildings Checked	889	1429
Traffic Investigations	831	540
Defective Equipment Tags	175	21
Aid Rendered to Citizens	4106	4317
Accidents Covered	173	179
Motor Vehicle Arrests Made	98	86
Criminal Arrests Made	168	138
Summonses to Court Issued	904	587
Motor Vehicle Warnings Issued	405	550
Citizen Complaints Answered	842	933
Aid Rendered to Other Agencies	1105	1066
Criminal Investigations Conducted	729	820
Animals Destroyed on Highways	5	11
Miscellaneous Calls	121	109
	<u>16948</u>	<u>15257</u>

1976 ACCIDENTS COVERED

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Total</u>
One-Car	54
Two-Car	108
Three-Car	4
Four-Car	1
Other	12
	<u>179</u>
Injuries	68
Deaths	2

1976 MOTOR VEHICLE ARRESTS

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Total</u>
Driving While Intoxicated	49
Operating After Revocation	1
Transporting Alcohol (Juvenile)	1
Failure to Yield Right-of-Way	6
Failure to Reduce Speed on Curve	6
Operating Without a License	2
Attempted Theft of Motor Vehicle	1
Reckless Operation	1
Failure to Keep Right	3
Solid Line	2
Misuse of Plates	1
Failure to Stop for Police Officer	2
Conduct After an Accident	3
Possession of Drugs	1
Red Light	2
Disobeying Police Officer	1
Failure to Reduce Speed	1
One-Way Street	1
Improper Turning Movement	2
	<u>86</u>

1976 CRIMINAL ARRESTS

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Total</u>
Theft by Unauthorized Taking	15
Concealment of Merchandise	19
Assault	3
Resisting Arrest	1
Concealment of Merchandise (Juvenile)	7
Knowingly Present-Drugs (Juvenile)	3
Possession of Marijuana	7
Knowingly Present-Drugs	1
Burglary	6
Burglary (Juvenile)	3
Criminal Trespass	10
Alcohol (Juvenile)	6
Endangering Welfare of a Child	2
Failure to Answer Summons	1
Criminal Mischief	11
Assault (Juvenile)	1
Receiving Stolen Property (Juvenile)	1
Criminal Mischief (Juvenile)	2
Receiving Stolen Property	4
Cruelty to Animals	1
Forgery	2
Disposing of Stolen Property	1
Bench Warrant - Contempt of Court	1
Attempted Theft of Motor Vehicle	1
Attempted Theft	2
Intoxication	4
Criminal Threatening	2
Disorderly Conduct	5
Arson	2
Manufacturing of Marijuana	1
Indecent Exposure	2
Theft by Deception	2
Lewdness	2
Violation of Probation (Juvenile)	1
Negligent Homicide	1
Theft of Services	1

(Continued) 1976 CRIMINAL ARRESTS

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Total</u>
Violation of Probation	1
Order of Commitment (Criminal Threatening)	1
False Information to Law Enforcement	1
Failure to Attend School (Juvenile)	1
	<u>138</u>

1976 SUMMONSES ISSUED

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Total</u>
Speed	247
Stop Sign	30
One-Way Street	21
Unregistered Motor Vehicle	23
Restricted Night Parking	5
Non-Inspection	172
Unsafe Tires	9
Double Parking	1
Animal Complaints	8
Unattended Motor Vehicle	5
Operating Without a License	14
Allowing Operation of Uninspected Motor Vehicle	2
Prohibited Parking	14
Solid Line	12
Blocking Driveway	1
Parking on Sidewalk	1
Failure to Yield Right-of-Way	4
Red Light	4
Unauthorized Raffle	1
Operating Without M. C. License	3
Operating After Revocation	1
Illegal Passing on Right	1
Minor Transporting Alcohol	1
Intoxication	1
Misuse of Plates	2
Operating Without Eye Protection	2
Failure to Yield/Intersection	1
Operating After Suspension	1
	<u>587</u>

1976 COMPLAINTS ANSWERED

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Total</u>
Suspicious Persons	36
Motor Vehicle Complaints	67
Disturbances	106
Criminal Mischief	114
Burglary	41
Theft by Unauthorized Taking	92
Hit and Run	9
Stolen Motor Vehicle	12
Shoplifter (Juvenile)	3
Lost Personal Property	9
Suspicious Motor Vehicle	21
Shoplifter	6
Unauthorized Entry into Motor Vehicle	1

(Continued) 1976 COMPLAINTS ANS.

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Total</u>
Alarm Sounding	23
Harrassment	9
Annoying Phone Calls	10
Criminal Trespass	9
Stolen Bicycles	9
Miscellaneous Complaints	95
Animal Complaints	72
Prowler	17
Possible Burglary	7
Disorderly Conduct	11
Theft of Services	1
Aggravated Assault	2
Suspected Mail Theft	1
Attempt to Locate	1
Reckless Operation	4
Recovered Property	9
Domestic Dispute	9
Assault	10
Lost/Stolen Plates	6
Loitering	4
Mentally Disturbed Person	5
Medical Aid	5
Failure to Stop for Officer	2
Shots Discharged	10
Unwanted Person	1
Sexual Assault	1
Missing Person	8
Civil Matter	5
Reckless Endangerment	1
Indecent Exposure	2
Selling on Streets	3
Bad Checks	3
Possible Stolen Property	1
Possible Criminal Trespass	1
B. B. Gun	1
Missing Vehicle	1
Miscellaneous Juvenile Complaints	5
Nuisance	2
Bomb Threat	12
Recovered Bicycles	7
Possible Theft by Deception	3
Attempted Theft of Motor Vehicle	1
Criminal Threatening	2
Attempted Burglary	2
Disorderly Person	5
Intoxication	4
Untimely Death	1
Passing School Bus	1
Stolen Motorcycle	1
Recovered Stolen Vehicle	1
Littering	1
Fireworks	2
Accidents, Etc.	5
Electrocution	1
Possession of Stolen Property	1
	<u>933</u>

1976 JUVENILE REPORT

The Juvenile Annual Report relates only those crimes where the juvenile offender was known, apprehended, and processed by the Durham Police Department and the University of New Hampshire, and does not include unsolved crimes where juveniles were involved.

A number of juvenile cases involved warnings, with parents being notified, warnings after hearings with parents, and juveniles released to the custody of parents, for disciplinary action. The Juvenile Court was used only after other remedies had been exhausted.

	<u>Town</u>	<u>UNH</u>	<u>Total</u>
Juvenile Offenses	69	28	97
Juveniles Involved	67	28	95
Juvenile Court Hearings	40	14	54
Juvenile Court Delinquent Cases	21	7	28
Juvenile Court Neglected Cases	0	0	0
Juvenile Cases Referred to Other Authorities	7	2	9
Juveniles Referred to the Youth Development Center	1	0	1
Pending Cases on Juveniles	0	4	4

Breakdown of Juvenile Cases

	<u>Town</u>	<u>UNH</u>	<u>Total</u>
Criminal Mischief	11	2	13
Shoplifting	9	0	9
Wayward Child	6	0	6
Alcohol Violations	17	6	23
Drug Violations	4	3	7
Burglary	3	0	3
Larceny	3	6	9
Criminal Trespass	2	4	6
False Fire Alarm	2	3	5
Motor Vehicle Violations	1	0	1
Violation of Probation	3	0	3
Disorderly Person	1	3	4
Truancy from School	1	0	1
Person in Need of Supervision	1	0	1
Miscellaneous Complaints	4	0	4
Mental Person	1	1	2
	<u>69</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>97</u>

Breakdown of Juvenile Offenses

- (1) W/M, 17 years - Burglary - Juvenile Court (2 Hearings) - Returned to Parents - Restitution - Placed on Probation.
- (2) W/M, 17 years - Violation of Probation - Juvenile Court (1 Hearing) - Returned to Parents - Probation.
- (3) W/M, 14 years -
 - a. Criminal Mischief - (1 Warning) - Returned to Parents.
 - b. Possession of Stolen Property - Juvenile Court (2 Hearings) - Returned to Parents - Probation.

- (4) W/F, 14 years - Violation of Probation - Juvenile Court (1 Hearing) -
Turned over to Division of
Welfare - One Year Probation.
- (5) W/M, 13 years - Burglary (3 Counts) - Juvenile Court (2 Hearings) -
Returned to Parents -
Counseling - Restitution -
Probation.
- (6) W/M, 15 years - Burglary (3 Counts) - Juvenile Court (2 Hearings) -
Returned to Parents -
Counseling - Restitution -
Probation.
- (7) W/M, 13 years - Criminal Trespass - Juvenile Court (2 Hearings) -
Returned to Parents - Resti-
tution.
- (8) W/M, 13 years - Criminal Mischief - Juvenile Court (2 Hearings) -
Returned to Parents - Resti-
tution - Probation.
- (9) W/M, 16 years - Criminal Mischief - Juvenile Court (2 Hearings) -
Returned to Parents - Resti-
tution.
- (10) W/M, 16 years - Criminal Mischief - Juvenile Court (3 Hearings) -
Returned to Parents - Resti-
tution - Probation.
- (11) W/M, 17 years - a. Violation of Probation -
b. Possession of Controlled Drugs -
Juvenile Court (3 Hearings) -
30 Days at Youth Development
Center - Returned to the
Custody of the Father - Pro-
bation.
- (12) W/F, 15 years - Alcohol Violations - Juvenile Court (2 Hearings) -
Returned to Parents - Pro-
bation.
- (13) W/F, 16 years - Alcohol Violations - Juvenile Court (2 Hearings) -
Returned to Parents.
- (14) W/M, 17 years - Criminal Mischief - Juvenile Court (2 Hearings) -
Returned to Parents - Resti-
tution.
- (15) W/M, 16 years - Alcohol Violations - Juvenile Court (2 Hearings) -
Returned to Parents.
- (16) W/F, 15 years - Alcohol Violations - Juvenile Court (2 Hearings) -
Returned to Parents.
- (17) W/F, 16 years - Alcohol Violations - Juvenile Court (2 Hearings) -
Returned to Parents.
- (18) W/F, 12 years - Willful Concealment - Juvenile Court (2 Hearings) -
Returned to Parents.
- (19) W/F, 14 years - Willful Concealment - Juvenile Court (2 Hearings) -
Returned to Parents.
- (20) W/M, 14 years - Truancy from School - Juvenile Court (1 Hearing) -
Returned to Parent - Pending.

- (21) W/M, 7 years - Person in Need of Supervision - Returned to Parents - Guidance.
- (22) W/M, 17 years - Possession of Controlled Drugs - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.
- (23) W/M, 17 years - Alcohol Violations - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.
- (24) W/M, 16 years - Transportation of Alcoholic Beverages - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Turned over to another agency.
- (25) W/F, 17 years - Runaway - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.
- (26) W/M, 8 years - Willful Concealment - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.
- (27) W/F, 14 years - Runaway - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.
- (28) W/F, 16 years - Knowingly Present-Controlled Drugs - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.
- (29) W/F, 15 years - Willful Concealment - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents Conference.
- (30) W/M, 16 years - Transportation of Alcoholic Beverages - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.
- (31) W/M, 13 years - Motor Vehicle Violation - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.
- (32) W/F, 17 years - Criminal Trespass - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.
- (33) W/M, 16 years - Criminal Mischief - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.
- (34) W/M, 13 years - Criminal Mischief - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Restitution Made - Conference.
- (35) W/M, 11 years - Criminal Mischief - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Restitution Made - Conference.
- (36) W/M, 14 years - False Fire Alarm - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.
- (37) W/M, 15 years - Criminal Mischief - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.
- (38) W/M, 12 years - Runaway - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.
- (39) W/M, 16 years - Criminal Mischief - 1 Warning - Returned to State Welfare Department - Conference.
- (40) W/F, 14 years - Alcohol Violations - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.

- (41) W/F, 14 years - Criminal Mischief - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference - Restitution.
- (42) W/F, 14 years - Runaway - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.
- (43) W/F, 13 years - Runaway - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.
- (44) W/M, 16 years - Transporting Alcoholic Beverages - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Turned Over to Another Agency.
- (45) W/M, 14 years - Alcohol Violations - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Turned Over to Another Agency.
- (46) W/M, 16 years - Alcohol Violations - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.
- (47) W/F, 13 years - Disorderly Person - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.
- (48) W/M, 17 years - Emotional Person - 1 Warning - Returned to Parent.
- (49) W/F, 17 years - Willful Concealment - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents Conference - Restitution.
- (50) W/M, 17 years - Alcohol Violations - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.
- (51) W/F, 15 years - Alcohol Violations - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.
- (52) W/F, 17 years - Willful Concealment - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents Conference - Restitution.
- (53) W/F, 14 years - Runaway - 1 Warning - Turned over to Welfare Dept.
- (54) W/F, 17 years - Knowingly Present-Controlled Drugs - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.
- (55) W/M, 16 years - Alcohol Violations - 1 Warning - Turned over to Another Agency.
- (56) W/F, 15 years - Possession of Stolen Property - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.
- (57) W/F, 15 years - Alcohol Violations - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.
- (58) W/M, 8 years - Willful Concealment - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.
- (59) W/M, 14 years - False Fire Alarm - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.
- (60) W/M, 14 years - Willful Concealment - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference - Guidance.
- (61) W/F, 17 years - Possession of Stolen Property - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents - Conference.

- (62) W/F, 14 years - Alcohol Violations - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents-Conference.
- (63) W/M, 15 years - Willful Concealment - 1 Warning - Turned Over to Another Agency.
- (64) to (67) - Miscellaneous Juvenile Complaints.
- (68) W/M, 17 years - Criminal Threatening - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents.
- (69) W/F, 13 years - Mental Person - Hospitalized.
- (70) W/M, 17 years - False Fire Alarm - Juvenile Court (2 Hearings).
- (71) W/M, 15 years - Discharging Fireworks - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents.
- (72) W/M, 17 years - Manufacturing Controlled Drugs - Juvenile Court (2 Hearings).
- (73) W/M, 17 years - Theft - Juvenile Court (2 Hearings).
- (74) W/M, 16 years - Theft - Juvenile Court (2 Hearings).
- (75) W/F, 9 years - Theft - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents.
- (76) W/M, 17 years - Possession of Controlled Drugs - Juvenile Court (2 Hearings).
- (77) W/M, 17 years - Possession of Alcoholic Beverages - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents.
- (78) W/M, 16 years - Criminal Trespass - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents.
- (79) W/M, 16 years - Criminal Trespass - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents.
- (80) W/M, 16 years - Discharging Fireworks - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents.
- (81) W/M, 16 years - Criminal Trespass - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents.
- (82) W/M, 16 years - Criminal Trespass - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents.
- (83) W/M, 7 years - Criminal Mischief - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents.
- (84) W/M, 7 years - Criminal Mischief - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents.
- (85) W/M, 17 years - Intoxication - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents.
- (86) W/M, 17 years - Theft - UNH referral to Town Police.
- (87) W/M, 17 years - Possession of Alcoholic Beverages - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents.
- (88) W/M, 17 years - Possession of Controlled Drugs - Juvenile Court (2 Hearings).
- (89) W/M, 17 years - False Fire Alarm - Juvenile Court (2 Hearings).
- (90) W/M, 17 years - Intoxication - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents.
- (91) W/M, 10 years - False Fire Alarm - 1 Warning - Returned to Parents.
- (92) W/F, 17 years - Theft - Case Pending.

- (93) W/F, 17 years - Intoxication - Case Pending.
- (94) W/F, 17 years - Theft - Case Pending.
- (95) W/F, 17 years - Intoxication - Case Pending.

In 1975 there were 96 offenses committed, involving 89 juveniles; while in 1976, there were 69 offenses committed, involving 67 juveniles. (The above figures reflect cases handled by the Durham Juvenile Officer only).

In addition to the above, the University of New Hampshire handled 28 juveniles during 1976, which makes a total of 95 juveniles handled within the Town of Durham this past year.

We, in the Durham Police Department, feel that the decrease in juvenile crime during the past year has been somewhat due to the on-going program at the Robert C. Hollis Youth Center.

The youth of Durham, Lee, and Madbury have been utilizing the Center, not only for a place to go, but also as a means of becoming involved in the community. The members of the Center participated in the UNH Channel 11 fund-raising campaign, the summer Blood Drive, and Christmas caroling for the elderly.

Our youth have kept the Center active by participating in various sports programs and fund-raising campaigns. The basement of 1 Newmarket Road has been remodeled into three rooms - a T.V. room, a game room, and a lounge.

A Winter Carnival was planned and held during the February School Vacation break.

The Center has grown to a point where they are anticipating a part-time position as an administrative manager to assist in keeping the Center operative and functional.

Recognition should be given to the following Council members for their performance this past year: Terry Wittner, President; Nancy DeGrace, Treasurer; Mary Attwood, Secretary; Kathy Lockhardt; Tracy Pierce; Ann Nicoloff; Patty Ober; Mike Owens; Sherry McGowen; Lisa Larson; and Stacia Gary.

The Board of Directors consists of Rev. Albert Snow, Ernest Cutter, Richard Houghton, and George Hurley. The Adult Advisory Group includes James Faria and J. Phillip Stetson, of the Durham Police Department, and Raymond Bilodeau, Probation Department.

The Durham Police Department wish to thank the people of the Community for their more than generous support of the Youth Center.

Durham District Court

January 1 to December 31, 1976

TOTAL NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS	1953
Violations	1581
Misdemeanors	321
Felonies	51
Motor vehicle - violation of town ordinance	20
Motor vehicle - violation of state statutes	1474
Driving while intoxicated	100
Regulation of dogs	55
Cruelty to animals	1
Intoxication	22
Sale of alcohol without license	4
Selling without peddler's license	1
Concealment of merchandise	16
Theft by unauthorized taking	44
Attempted theft by unauthorized taking	12
Attempted theft of motor vehicle	2
Theft by deception	3
Theft of services	1
Criminal trespass	28
Criminal mischief	26
Criminal threatening	4
Criminal solicitation	1
Disorderly conduct	15
Assault	11
Resisting arrest	3
False information to police officer	3
Failure to supply written copy of lease	1
Possession of loaded pistol	1
Drug violations	35
Failure to answer summons	5
Violation of probation	4
False public alarm	7
Fish and Game violations	2
Endangering welfare of child	3
Public Utilities violations	2
Disposing of stolen property	3
Receiving stolen property	6
Issuing bad check	2
Lewdness	2
Indecent exposure	4
Burglary offense	21
Murder	1
Attempted robbery	2
Forgery	5
Negligent homicide	1

There were also 22 cases entered but not yet heard.

There were also 27 annulments granted, 54 small claims cases, and 28 civil writ cases.

DISPOSITION OF CASES

Plead guilty	1245 Found guilty	1646
Plead nolo	259 Found not guilty	42
Plead not guilty	249 Dismissed	4
No plea entered	51 Placed on file	26
	Default	85
	Nol pros	76
	Appealed	54
Probable cause found - transferred to Superior Court		33
Cases transferred to Supreme Court		2

Balance on hand, January 1, 1976	\$ 100.00
RECEIPTS 1976	
Fines	53,830.00
Small claims fees	135.00
Civil writ entry fees	90.00
Civil writ forms	24.00
	\$54,179.00
DISBURSEMENTS 1976	
Town of Durham	\$22,617.14
Department of Safety	20,998.00
Fish and Game Department	12.00
Witness and Breathalyzer fees	4,680.78
Court expenses	5,751.15
Bank service charge	19.93
	\$54,079.00
Cash on hand, January 1, 1977	100.00
	\$54,179.00

Health Officer

No major communicable disease problems were reported to the Health Officer during the year. Major activities included inspection and approval of thirteen new septic tank systems and the correction of several improperly functioning systems; action on several general nuisance complaints; inspection of restaurants, mobile food vans, stores, foster homes, and day care facilities; investigation of dog bite cases for rabies; approval of International Certificates of Vaccination for foreign travel; and communications and meetings with members of the State Division of Health and the New Hampshire Water Supply and Pollution Control Commission.

Respectfully submitted,
L.W. Slanetz
Health Officer

Probation Officer

Probation: comes from the Latin word probatio, meaning a time of trial or testing. As defined by The American College Dictionary, "probation is a method of dealing with offenders, especially young persons guilty of minor crimes, or first offenses, by allowing them to go at large conditionally under supervision, as that of a person (probation officer) appointed for such duty."¹

On probation a person has, in effect, partially lost his freedom. He or she is under the control of the court, which may lay down rules for his or her behavior, may change those rules and may institutionalize him or her for violating those rules. Part of the probation officer's job is as stated in New Hampshire Law, "to keep informed concerning the conduct and conditions of persons placed on probation and impel their obedience to the orders of the court. " In fulfilling this duty, the probation officer has often been able to assist the person on probation with his problems and helped him avoid any further conflicts with the law.²

YEAR'S ACTIVITIES

The number of persons supervised on January 1, 1976

<u>Juveniles</u>	<u>Adults</u>	<u>Total</u>
10 males	20 males	
1 female	2 females	33

<u>Month</u>	<u>No. of new people placed on probation*</u>		<u>No. of people released from probation*</u>	
	<u>Adults</u>	<u>Juveniles</u>	<u>Adults</u>	<u>Juveniles</u>
January	2	-	2	-
February	3	1	1	1
March	2	-	3	1
April	1	2	4	1
May	5	6	2	-
June	2	2	2	3
July	-	-	2	2
August	-	1	-	1
September	1	-	1	1
October	1	-	2	1
November	2	-	2	3
December	1	-	-	-

*These numbers do not reflect persons transferred in or out of Durham.

The number of persons supervised by the Durham District Court Probation Officer on December 31, 1976

<u>Juveniles</u>	<u>Adults</u>	<u>Total</u>
7 males	21 males	
2 females	0 females	30

The probation officer is also required by law to do investigations on all juvenile cases. The report is to include home conditions, school record, the mental, physical and social history of the child and circumstances of the alleged delinquency or neglect. The report, which is called a social investigation or pre-sentence report, also includes family background, religious practices, habits and associates, employment history and prior police or court records. Much of this information is obtained by personally visiting the source. The manner in which adult offenders are investigated is quite similar to that for juveniles.

INVESTIGATIONS REQUESTED BETWEEN JANUARY AND DECEMBER

<u>Month</u>	<u>Juvenile</u>	<u>Adult</u>
January	1	1
February	5	1
March	3	3
April	9	-
May	4	8
June	-	4
July	-	1
August	5	2
September	-	2
October	3	2
November	1	3
December	1	1
TOTAL	32	28

Juvenile investigations are up 45% over last year.
Adult investigations are down 3% from last year.

OF THOSE INVESTIGATED IN THE ADULT CATEGORY:

- a) Thirteen or 45% had alcohol related to their offense.
- b) Six or 21% were high school dropouts.
- c) Fourteen or 48% had no jobs at the time of the offense.
- d) Seven or 24% came from broken homes.

OF THOSE INVESTIGATED IN THE JUVENILE CATEGORY:

- a) Eight or 25% had alcohol related to their offense.
- b) Two or 6% were high school dropouts.
- c) Nine or 28% came from broken homes.

If a person placed on probation violates the rules of his or her probation, the probation officer may arrest him or her without a warrant from the court. In such cases the person is brought before the court for a review of his conduct and may be imprisoned or otherwise restricted in his or her behavior.

VIOLATIONS FILED BETWEEN JANUARY AND DECEMBER

<u>Month</u>	<u>Juvenile</u>	<u>Adult</u>
January	1	-
February	-	-
March	-	1
April	1	-
May	-	-
June	-	-

July	-	-
August	-	-
September	-	2
October	-	1
November	1	-
December	-	-
TOTAL	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>

When a person on probation shows a marked improvement in his attitude, the probation officer may ask the court to end his or her probation.³

PETITIONS FOR EARLY RELEASE FROM PROBATION FILED
BETWEEN JANUARY AND DECEMBER

<u>Month</u>	<u>Juvenile</u>	<u>Adult</u>
January	-	-
February	-	-
March	-	3
April	-	3
May	-	2
June	3	1
July	1	-
August	-	-
September	-	1
October	1	-
November	3	1
December	-	-
TOTAL	<u>8</u>	<u>11</u>

VOLUNTEERS

For at least ten years courts have been using volunteers to help with persons placed on probation. Experience thus far has shown that properly selected and trained volunteers can meet that need. In fact, a volunteer seeing just one person on probation is not only able to spend more time with him or her but is able to demonstrate real concern and develop trust more easily than a paid official. The volunteer's chances of becoming a true friend and influence on the personality of the person on probation is often greater.⁴

The total number of volunteers on January 1, 1976 was 28.

	<u>New volunteers</u>	<u>Resigned volunteers</u>	<u>Assigned volunteers</u>
January	-	1	19
February	1	4	20
March	1	-	18
April	2	-	16
May	1	4	15
June	4	2	11
July	-	1	11
August	-	3	11
September	1	3	12
October	4	-	16
November	6	1	20
December	2	-	16

The total number of volunteers on December 31, 1976 was 31.

1)The American College Dictionary;Random House, Inc., 1957, pgs. 964-965.

2)N.H. Probation Department Volunteer Handbook, pg. 3.

3)Ibid; pg. 4-6.

4)Ibid; pg. 3.

Town Meeting Insert

TOWN WARRANT



Warrant	W-1
Budget as Posted	W-7
Itemized Budget	W-10
Water Budget	W-19
Sewer Budget	W-20

Warrant Articles

1977 TOWN WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Durham, County of Strafford, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Oyster River Cooperative High School Cafeteria, Durham, New Hampshire, on Tuesday, the eighth day of March, 1977, A.D., at 8:00 A.M. (E.S.T.) to act on the following ballot articles:

1, 2, 3, 4, and 5.

As provided by law, there can be no discussion on these articles prior to balloting.

POLLS WILL CLOSE AND ACTION BY BALLOTING on the articles referred to above and listed below will cease at 7:00 P.M. The ballots will then be counted and the results announced.

Further, in compliance with action approved by the Town Meeting on March 7, 1972 (Article 2), you are hereby notified to meet at the Oyster River Cooperative High School Gymnasium at 7:00 P.M. on Wednesday, March 9, 1977, to act on all other articles in this warrant.

ARTICLE 1. (VOTE BY BALLOT) To choose one (1) Selectman for a term of three years; four (4) members of the Budget Committee for a term of three (3) years; one (1) Trustee of Trust Funds for a term of three (3) years, and all elective officers for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 2. (VOTE BY BALLOT) To see if the Town will vote to amend the Durham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: Article 4, Section 4.23, Retail and Personal Service Uses. Add: or any other establishment where food or beverages are consumed on the premises.

(PURPOSE: To clarify the meaning of the word "restaurant" in an attempt to control development by anyone who has, through legal means, declared himself or herself as a retail business when, in fact, the use is a restaurant.)

A yes vote on the above will change the Zoning Ordinance to read as follows:

4.23 Retail and Personal Service Uses

b. Restaurants or any other establishment where food or beverages are consumed on the premises, except drive-in eating places.

4.28 TABLE OF PERMITTED USES BY ZONING DISTRICT

Uses	RA	RB	RC	R	BA	BB	OR	CR
Retail and Personal Service Uses (See 4.23 - each such use will require site review, see 10.30)								
b. restaurants or any other establishment where food or beverages are consumed on the premises, except drive-in eating places.				X	X		X	

ARTICLE 3. (VOTE BY BALLOT) To see if the Town will vote to amend the Durham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: Article 5, Section 5.19, Lot Dimensions. Delete: No change shall be made to the dimensions of a lot which would result in a new or increased violation of the dimensional requirements of this ordinance.

.(PURPOSE: To allow the owners of existing legal non-conforming lots, which have been developed (i.e., lots not meeting dimensional requirements of the Durham Zoning Ordinance), to add parcels of land to their existing lot, thereby decreasing the non-conformity of the lot. However, owners of existing legal non-conforming lots which have not been developed may change the dimensions of a lot only if the change meets the requirements of the Table of Dimensional Controls, Durham Zoning Ordinance, in effect at the time of the proposed change.)

A yes vote on the above will change the Zoning Ordinance to read as follows:

Add:

5.19 Lot Dimensions

Any change made to the dimensions of an undeveloped lot shall meet all the requirements of the Table of Dimensional Controls by Zoning District (Section 5.18, Durham Zoning Ordinance), in effect at the time of the proposed change. In the case of a legal non-conforming lot which has been developed, the lot dimensions may be changed to decrease the violation of the dimensional requirements of this ordinance.

ARTICLE 4. (VOTE BY BALLOT) To see if the Town will vote to amend the Durham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: Article 6, Section 6.23, Large Parking Areas. Delete the word cars and substitute the word vehicles for cars.

(PURPOSE: To replace the word "cars" with the word "vehicles", thereby including any means of transporting either people or objects (trucks, buses, etc.).

A yes vote on the above will change the Zoning Ordinance to read as follows:

6.23 Large Parking Areas

Any parking area for 10 or more vehicles shall be reviewed by the Planning Board for the safety of its arrangement and access. Each parking space shall be clearly marked. The paved area shall be surrounded by trees or hedges and any divisions between parking aisles shall be not less than 4 feet wide and shall be curbed.

ARTICLE 5. (VOTE BY BALLOT) To see if the Town will vote to amend the Durham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:

Article 6, Section 6.42, Minimum Number of Spaces by Use. Add:

Note 1 to subsections g, h, i, j, and l of Section 6.42, Minimum Number of Spaces by Use.

(PURPOSE: To allow property owners within the Business A district to utilize their property to a greater extent than is presently possible by making better use of presently under-utilized public offstreet parking lots. This can be accomplished by requiring property owners in Business A to provide only one half the number of required parking spaces on their own property with a new or changed use.)

A yes vote on the above will change the Zoning Ordinance to read as follows:

6.42 Minimum Number of Spaces by Use: The minimum number of parking spaces required shall be as follows:

- g. for a place of assembly with seating, such as a church, funeral parlor, auditorium, restaurant, theatre: 1 space per 3 seats plus one space per employee; Note 1.
- h. for a place of assembly without fixed seats, such as a skating rink or dance hall: 1 space per 50 square feet of floor area accessible to the public plus one space per employee; Note 1.
- i. for a bowling alley: 2 spaces per bowling lane plus one space per employee; Note 1.
- j. for retail and service establishments, and for medical or dental offices or clinics: 1 space per 250 square feet of gross floor area plus one space per employee; Note 1.
- l. for an office, bank, post office in a Business A or B district: same as for retail and service establishments plus one space per employee; Note 1.

Note 1. Within the Business A district, private parking for customers shall be required for any new or changed use at a rate of one half the number of parking spaces otherwise required, provided that the walking distance to a pedestrian exit from a public parking lot does not exceed 300 feet. This does not relieve the necessity of providing required employee parking either on the same lot or within 300 feet of the lot being developed by appropriate long-term arrangements satisfactory to the Planning Board.

THE PRECEDING CONCLUDES THE OFFICIAL BALLOT ARTICLES

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, until directed to the contrary at a subsequent Town Meeting, to apply, negotiate and do all other things necessary to obtain such Federal, State, or other assistance as may be available for the construction of a sewage disposal system, and to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of said assistance as outlined in N.H. R.S.A. 33:7-b et seq., as amended, and pass any vote relating thereto as it pertains to the project proposed in Article 7 of this Warrant.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of one million, seven hundred thousand dollars (\$1,700,000.00) for the purpose of constructing sewerage and sewage treatment facilities which are requirements contained in the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. §1251 et. seq.) and will qualify the Town for Federal funds, such sum to be raised by the issuance of Serial Bonds or Notes not to exceed one million, seven hundred thousand dollars (\$1,700,000.00) under and in compliance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (N. H. R.S.A. 33:1 et seq., as amended) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take such other actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interests of the Town of Durham, and to allow the Selectmen to expend such monies as become available from the Federal Government under the Financial Assistance Program of the Construction Grants section of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. § et seq.) and pass any vote relating thereto.

(Two-thirds majority vote required to pass. Ballot after discussion.)

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000.00) for the purposes of repairing and rehabilitating the joint Town-UNH Incinerator located at Durham Point Road, and negotiate such bonds or notes as are necessary over a five-year period to finance the needed incinerator upgrading program. The Town to be reimbursed one-half (1/2) of the cost by the University of New Hampshire, under the cost sharing agreement. (Approved by the Budget Committee). (Two-thirds majority vote required to pass).

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen, in cooperation with the University of New Hampshire and participating neighboring towns, to conduct a feasibility study for the construction of a limited regional incineration facility adjacent to the University of New Hampshire power plant. The cost of the study, which is estimated at twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00), will be shared proportionately by the participating towns, the University of New Hampshire, and the Town of Durham. The study to be completed and a report with recommendations to be submitted to the 1978 Town Meeting for appropriate action. Further, that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) to cover the cost of this study. (The cost to the Town will be \$3,156.00, with the remainder paid by participating communities - see Revenues). (Approved by the Budget Committee).

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand, eight hundred dollars (\$1,800.00) for the purpose of purchasing four dumpsters to be used for the collection of recyclable newspaper, glass and cans. Said dumpsters would be placed in the Shop 'N Save parking lot and would be serviced by the regional recycling center truck. (Petitioned by 11 legal voters as follows: Margaret Bogle, Sarah P. Voll, John Voll, William C. Chamberlin, Ruth K. Chamberlin, Jane C. Bennett, Shirley Glanz, Ethlyn H. Haslerud, George M. Haslerud, Marc L. Schwarz, Ellen B. Schwarz). (Approved by the Budget Committee).

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will adopt an ordinance that no cans, glass bottles, clean newsprint and magazines will be burned or buried by the municipal government, its agents or contractors, after July 1, 1977. (Petitioned by 21 legal voters as follows: Joan Warnke, John J. Warnke, Jr., Robert McDonough, Filson Glanz, A. Linn Bogle, Joan Darlington, Sidney Darlington, Richard Proulx, Loren Meeker, Bonnie Meeker, Jane Bennett, Albert B. Bennett, Jr., Patricia Lambert, Anne H. Knight, Peter S. Murdoch, Henry Kast, Susan Kast, Richard Towle, John Ubell, James O. Horrigan, L. P. Gaulin).

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of fifty-eight thousand, eight hundred dollars (\$58,800.00) for the purpose of participating in the Urban Highway Program. Such sum to be raised through the issuance of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NH R.S.A. 33:1 et seq., as amended) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take such other actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interests of the Town of Durham. (This appropriation is intended for permanent improvements to roads in the business district.) (Approved by the Budget Committee). (Two-thirds majority vote required to pass).

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for and accept Federal grants under Title I and Title II of the Public Works Employment Act of 1976 and to file the required Statement of Assurances, to include authorization on a retroactive basis for grant applications previously submitted and which have been or may be granted to the Town. Further, to authorize the Selectmen to expend the funds provided under the grants for the purposes specified.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty-seven thousand dollars (\$47,000.00) for the purchase of land and buildings located at 15 Newmarket Road. Such sum to be raised through the issuance of bonds or notes, and to authorize the Selectmen to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take other actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interests of the Town of Durham. (Submitted without recommendation of the Budget Committee). (Two-thirds majority vote required to pass).

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town of Durham will support the March 2, 1976 secret ballot vote of the Town of Seabrook against a nuclear powered electric generating facility proposed by the Public Service Company of New Hampshire. (Petitioned by 10 legal voters as follows: Ursula Bowring, Shirley Glanz, Ann E. Metcalf, Mary E. Metcalf, Cindy T. Brown, Kathryn Driscoll, Estelle Nilsen, Susan Lyons, Catherine Stearns, Jacob C. Wolterbeek).

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-seven thousand, eight hundred and fifty dollars (\$27,850.00) for reconstruction of the Mill Pond Road Sewer. Such sum to be raised through the issuance of bonds or notes, and to authorize the Selectmen to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take other actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interests of the Town of Durham. Repayment to be made by revenues from the Sewer Department. (Approved by the Budget Committee). (Two-thirds majority vote required to pass).

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for the purpose of suitable care and maintenance of deserted and abandoned cemeteries within its confines not otherwise provided for, in accordance with the N. H. Revised Statutes Annotated, Vol. 3, Chapter 289:5, 1941. (Submitted by the Trustees of Trust Funds). (Submitted without recommendation by the Budget Committee).

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand, five hundred dollars (\$3,500.00) for the purpose of purchasing Rescue Equipment. Said equipment to be purchased under the direction of the Board of Selectmen and placed at the disposal of the Durham-UNH Fire Department. (Submitted without recommendation of the Budget Committee).

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) for the construction of a baseball/softball field on Oyster River School District property, as designated and approved by the Oyster River School Board, and recommended by the Durham Parks and Recreation Committee. (Petitioned by 27 legal voters as follows: John J. Sasner, Joanne V. Sasner, Robert Abbott, Pat Abbott, Robert L. Barth, Maria S. Barth, Brenda C. Peirce, Lincoln C. Peirce, D. L. Chinburg, Ellen Chinburg, James S. Murray, Jean Murray, Gavin H. Carter, Ann M. Burnham, Ann C. Berquist, Harry E. Berquist, Charles Burnham, Donald Masi, Arthur C. Borrer, Ted Conner, Barbara Conner, Barbara Kinzly, Ed O'Connor, Rita O'Connor, Stewart G. Smith, Mary Alice Smith, Parker Ayer). (Submitted without recommendation of the Budget Committee).

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to receive and deposit in the Federal Revenue Sharing Fund, Federal revenues allocated to the Town by the Federal Government under provisions of the 1972 Acts of Congress establishing the State and Local Assistance Act, and to authorize withdrawal from this fund for budgeted appropriations (see budget) in the approximate amounts and for the purposes listed as follows:

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>1/1/77-12/31/77</u>
1. Urban Roads Program	12,000.00
2. 15 Newmarket Road	12,000.00
3. Durham-UNH Incinerator	4,000.00
4. Regional Incinerator Study	3,156.00
5. Street Light Changes	8,000.00
6. Oyster River Home Health	4,200.00
7. Welfare	6,500.00
8. Incinerator Loader	5,000.00
9. Police Cruiser	4,500.00

ITEM	Budget 1/1/77-12/31/77
10. Town Beautification Program	5,000.00
11. Snow Auger	2,900.00
12. Snow Plow Blade	2,100.00
13. Painting Machine)	
Shop Compressor)	2,600.00
Shop Equipment)	
14. Conservation Commission	5,000.00
15. Highway reserve for equipment	20,000.00
16. Fire Alarm Panel	2,000.00
TOTALS	\$ 98,956.00

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the Budget for the period January 1, 1977 - December 31, 1977, as submitted by the Budget Committee in the amount of three million, twenty-eight thousand, six hundred and ninety-two dollars (\$3,028,692.00) and to raise by taxes the sum of five hundred seventy-four thousand, two hundred forty-six dollars (\$574,246.00), for the purposes thereof. (See Budget Detail).

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of approximately one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000.00) to defray its share of the cost of Strafford County Government.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, under authority of R.S.A. 80:42, to sell and transfer the tax lien and/or the title to real estate acquired by the Town at a tax collector's sale for non-payment of taxes, in default of redemption for such tax sale within the time limited by law, by deed or otherwise upon such terms as the Selectmen shall deem to be in the best interests of the Town.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow necessary money in anticipation of taxes by issuing short term notes.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, negotiate, and do all other things necessary to obtain such Federal, State or other assistance as may be available for public works or other projects.

ARTICLE 26. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hand and seal this 18th day of February in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy Seven.

Malcolm J. Chase, Chairman
Maryanna Hatch
Owen B. Durgin
James C. Chamberlin
Lawrence W. O'Connell

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A True Copy, Attest:

Malcolm J. Chase, Chairman
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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Budget

Report and Recommendation of the Budget Committee

Town of Durham, March, 1977

1977 Budget as Posted

SECTION I	Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year	BUDGET COMMITTEE Recommended 1977	Submitted Without Recommendation
Purpose of Appropriation			
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
Town Officers' Salaries	61,637.94	65,198.00	
Town Officers' Expenses	24,330.00	30,060.00	
Election & Registration Expenses	1,335.00	800.00	
Municipal & District Court Expenses	23,750.00	24,815.00	
Town Hall & Other Town Buildings	8,350.00	9,440.00	48,760.00
Employees' Retirement & Social Security	25,770.54	24,827.00	
Update John Hatch Map	500.00		
Reappraisal, Tax Map & Property Option	27,760.00	2,780.00	
PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY			
Police Department	177,030.53	189,783.34	
Fire Department	86,589.13	75,327.00	
Dispatch Center	14,578.00	17,298.33	
Insurance	48,172.53	41,672.00	
Planning & Zoning	31,537.00	17,376.00	
Rescue Equipment			3,500.00
Civil Defense	100.00	100.00	
HEALTH DEPT. (including Hospitals & Ambulance)			
Ambulance, Health Care	22,000.00	8,200.00	
Town Dump & Garage Removal, Incinerator, Dumpsters	75,692.38	98,255.00	
HIGHWAYS & BRIDGES			
Bikeway Study	10,000.00		
Street Lighting	20,000.00	28,000.00	
General Expenses of Highway Department	205,984.88	255,013.00	
Town Road Aid & Urban Highway	23,453.18	59,807.00	
LIBRARIES	11,000.00	12,000.00	
PUBLIC WELFARE			
Town Poor & Day Care Center	6,000.00	9,100.00	
Old Age Assistance	2,000.00	2,000.00	

SECTION I (Continued) Purpose of Appropriation	Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year	BUDGET COMMITTEE	
		Recommended 1977	Submitted Without Recommendation
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES (Memorial Day, etc.)	2,200.00	300.00	
PARKS, RECREATION & CONSERVATION	24,770.00	39,181.00	10,000.00
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES			
Hydrant Rental	11,000.00	11,000.00	
Cemeteries	3,770.00	5,290.00	300.00
Secondary Treatment Study	5,000.00		
DEBT SERVICE			
Principal & Long Term Notes & Bonds	147,090.20	114,034.00	
Interest - Long Term Notes & Bonds	55,669.37	49,342.00	
Interest on Temporary Loans	14,000.00	19,000.00	
CAPITAL OUTLAY			
Public Works Equipment	29,600.00	8,800.00	
Police Equipment	4,500.00	10,200.00	
Incinerator Equipment & Renovation	7,500.00	51,000.00	
Fire Department Equipment	2,900.00	4,010.00	
Dispatch Center Equipment	1,649.67	1,833.33	
Mill Pond Sewer		27,850.00	
Sewer Secondary Treatment Plant		1,700,000.00	
PAYMENT TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS			
Public Works	5,000.00	5,000.00	
Conservation Commission		10,000.00	
Yield Tax Payment	150.00		
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	1,222,370.35	3,028,692.00	62,560.00

SECTION II	Estimated Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Estimated Revenue Fiscal Year 1977
Sources of Revenue			
FROM STATE			
Interest & Dividends Tax	68,000.00	68,142.90	70,000.00
Road Toll Refunds	3,500.00	4,464.33	4,500.00
Savings Bank Tax	10,000.00	11,182.13	12,000.00
Meals & Room Tax	36,000.00	32,099.97	33,000.00
State Aid - Water Pollution Projects, R-7, C-29, C-51	41,650.00	41,920.00	40,685.00
Highway Subsidy (Cl. IV & V)	37,751.14	37,751.14	37,701.00
Reim. A/C Business Profits Tax (Town Portion)	31,748.00	31,747.32	6,200.00
T.R.A.	6,707.85		15,382.00
Grease Handling	8,008.55	8,008.55	7,777.00
FROM LOCAL SOURCES			
Dog Licenses	1,300.00	1,304.75	1,300.00
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	6,755.00	6,943.13	6,825.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	60,000.00	85,019.92	72,000.00
Interest on Taxes & Deposits	25,000.00	26,111.87	27,000.00
Income from Trust Funds - Cemetery Care	3,470.00	4,554.98	5,290.00
Parking Meter Income		446.60	450.00
Fines & Forfeits - Municipal & District Court	26,500.00	27,944.70	25,500.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	350.00	231.67	350.00
Resident Taxes Retained	32,000.00	27,680.00	32,000.00
Normal Yield Taxes Assessed	900.00	949.22	850.00
Sale of Town Property	500.00	323.90	500.00
Income from Departments - UNH Reimbursement	56,942.48	70,520.67	66,436.00
Sewer Entry Fees	12,750.00	890.00	740.00
Miscellaneous	4,000.00	2,098.00	4,300.00
Income from Municipal Utilities - Water Bond Reimbursement	62,000.00	62,000.00	60,080.00
Bond & Note Issues (Contra)	40,000.00		1,826,650.00
Incinerator Study Reimbursement			16,844.00
SURPLUS			8,314.00
FROM FEDERAL SOURCES			
Revenue Sharing	138,613.00	131,678.52	64,956.00
Anti-Recession, B.O.R., L.E.A.A.			6,816.00
TOTAL REVENUE FROM ALL SOURCES	714,446.02	684,014.27	2,454,446.00
AMOUNT TO BE RAISED FROM PROPERTY TAXES (Exclusive of County and School Taxes)			574,246.00
TOTAL REVENUES			3,028,692.00

PROPOSED 1977 BUDGET DETAIL

PROPOSED EXPENDITURES:	Budgeted 1976	Expended 1976	PROPOSED BUDGET 1977	
			Recommended	Submitted Without Recommendation
TOWN OFFICE SALARIES				
Selectmen	6,200.00	6,200.00	6,200.00	
Treasurer	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	
Tax Collector/Town Clerk	10,649.18	10,830.69	11,181.00	
Clerical Salaries	28,253.82	29,101.21	33,106.00	
Sub-Total	46,303.00	47,331.90	51,687.00	
Less Transfers	6,510.76	6,946.05	5,889.00	
Sub-Total	39,792.24	40,385.85	45,798.00	
Welfare Officer	300.00	300.00	350.00	
Building Inspector	2,600.00	2,600.00	2,700.00	
Health Officer	350.00	350.00	350.00	
Asst. to Selectmen	18,595.70	17,915.76	16,000.00	
TOTAL	61,637.94	61,551.61	65,198.00	
TOWN OFFICE OPERATING EXPENSE				
Supplies	6,000.00	8,839.22	6,385.00	
Telephone	2,300.00	3,298.90	3,500.00	
Rental & Maintenance	-0-	-0-	2,800.00	
Office Equipment	1,110.00	1,147.22	900.00	
Computer Service	850.00	889.24	1,000.00	
Town Officers Bonds	850.00	466.00	850.00	
Travel & Convention	500.00	639.21	600.00	
Association Dues	800.00	789.93	825.00	
Legal Fees	4,500.00	4,396.87	6,000.00	
Census	420.00	-0-	500.00	
Audit Expense	4,000.00	4,000.00	3,200.00	
Town Report	2,300.00	2,576.76	2,800.00	
Welfare Officer Expense	200.00	200.00	200.00	
Building Inspect. Fees	300.00	230.00	300.00	
Health Officer Expenses	200.00	202.27	200.00	
TOTAL	24,330.00	27,675.62	30,060.00	
ELECTION AND REGISTRATION	1,335.00	1,440.57	800.00	
DISTRICT COURT EXPENSE				
Justice Salary	9,500.00	9,500.00	8,300.00	
Special Justice Salary	2,850.00	2,850.00	2,490.00	
Clerk of Court	5,700.00	5,700.00	6,225.00	
Probation Officer	5,200.00	5,875.00	7,800.00	
Office Rent (Prob. Off.)	500.00	625.00	-0-	
TOTAL	23,750.00	24,550.00	24,815.00	

	Budgeted 1976	Expended 1976	PROPOSED Recommended	BUDGET 1977 Submitted Without Recommendation
TOWN OFFICE BUILDING EXPENSE				
Janitor	1,800.00	1,797.70	1,740.00	260.00
Utilities	3,500.00	3,664.25	4,500.00	1,500.00
Repairs	250.00	233.45	900.00	
Materials	200.00	369.35	300.00	
Remodeling Office	2,600.00	2,600.00	2,000.00	
Purchase of 15 Newmarket Road	-0-	-0-		47,000.00
TOTAL	8,350.00	8,664.75	9,440.00	48,760.00
ASSISTANCE				
Old Age Assistance	2,000.00	1,997.57	2,000.00	
Welfare	6,000.00	5,305.34	9,100.00*	
TOTAL	8,000.00	7,302.91	11,100.00	
INSURANCE EXPENSE				
Social Security	18,192.62	17,954.35	19,515.00	
Retirement	11,105.92	9,059.83	9,852.00	
Life & Disability	9,820.92	4,968.48	7,535.00	
Blue Cross/Blue Shield	14,219.28	7,937.28	9,603.00	
Workmens Compensation	12,730.39	11,232.01	15,000.00	
Liability/Equipment	9,231.00	9,585.65	8,000.00	
SMP/Property	4,630.00	4,671.00	4,700.00	
Sub-Total	79,930.13	65,408.60	74,205.00	
Less Transfers	5,987.06	6,840.46	7,706.00	
TOTAL	73,943.07	58,568.14	66,499.00	
INDEBTEDNESS PAYMENTS				
Tax Anticipation/Interest	14,000.00	18,996.48	19,000.00	
Bonded Debt/Principal	80,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	
Bonded Debt/Interest	45,500.00	45,500.00	42,080.00	
Long Term Notes/Principal	67,090.20	58,584.12	34,034.00*	
Long Term Notes/Interest	10,169.37	9,518.74	7,262.00	
TOTAL	216,759.57	212,599.34	182,376.00	
POLICE DEPARTMENT				
Salaries	119,190.28	119,575.79	129,756.00	
Holiday Pay	3,220.28	3,179.76	3,599.00	
Officer Overtime	2,319.72	3,096.29	3,000.00	
Special Officers	5,500.00	7,352.84	5,500.00	
Crossing Guards	4,270.00	3,915.27	4,536.00	
Clerical Services	6,920.56	7,037.48	7,558.00	
Sub-Total	141,420.84	144,157.43	153,949.00	

*Revenue Sharing Item,
See Warrant Article No. 20.

	Budgeted 1976	Expended 1976	PROPOSED Recommended	BUDGET 1977 Submitted Without Recommendation
POLICE DEPARTMENT (Cont'd)				
Retirement Fund	9,882.69	9,236.14	10,434.00	
Uniform Allowance	3,500.00	3,253.74	3,400.00	
Travel & Training	800.00	624.26	800.00	
Prosecuting Attorney	2,500.00	3,067.50	3,000.00	
Supplies	3,000.00	3,405.34	3,000.00	
Telephone	2,300.00	2,393.47	2,300.00	
Equipment	3,000.00	1,875.40	2,000.00	
Radio Equipment	1,000.00	192.78	300.00	
Radio Repairs	500.00	468.15	600.00	
Cruiser Maintenance	8,500.00	10,785.88	10,000.00	
Liability Insurance	627.00	-0-	-0-	
Sub-Total	35,609.69	35,302.66	35,834.00	
CAPITAL EXPENSE:				
Cruiser Purchase	4,500.00	4,021.97	4,500.00*	
Recorder	-0-	-0-	5,700.00	
Sub-Total	4,500.00	4,021.97	10,200.00	
TOTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT	181,530.53	183,482.06	199,983.00	
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT				
Salaries	142,002.24	152,560.53	157,484.00	
Overtime	-0-	-0-	16,727.00	
Sub-Total	142,002.24	152,560.53	174,211.00	
Less Transfers	39,098.86	48,680.11	55,072.00	
Sub-Total	102,903.38	103,880.42	119,139.00	
Work Clothes	-0-	-0-	2,556.00	
Dues, Training, Travel	-0-	-0-	1,100.00	
Garage Utilities	2,664.68	3,317.95	3,324.00	
Gas & Oil	11,847.52	14,803.61	17,325.00	
Materials & Supplies	5,000.00	6,203.80	6,250.00	
Equipment Rental	1,000.00	1,450.45	4,500.00	
Equipment Maintenance	12,000.00	15,146.13	16,000.00	
Traffic Control/Signs	4,000.00	5,120.32	4,500.00	
Highway Maintenance Supplies	11,389.00	12,660.65	5,900.00	
Salt	6,000.00	5,930.93	7,000.00	
Road Tar	26,130.80	23,723.03	22,851.00	
Patch	2,688.00	2,031.84	2,188.00	
Bridge Maintenance	1,701.50	-0-	4,980.00	
Bituminous Concrete	4,000.00	5,400.53	-0-	
Town Beautification	4,460.00	4,928.40	(Moved)	
Sub-Total	92,881.50	100,717.64	98,474.00	
NEW CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE				
Town Garage	6,000.00	6,000.00	2,000.00	
Sidewalks	4,200.00	4,132.73	2,957.00	
Urban Highway Program	22,447.00	22,447.00	58,800.00**	
TRA	1,006.18	1,006.18	1,007.00	
Road Reconstruction	-0-	-0-	32,443.00	
Sub-Total	33,653.18	33,585.91	97,207.00	

*Revenue Sharing Item,
See Warrant Article No. 20.

**Warrant Article

	Budgeted 1976	Expended 1976	PROPOSED Recommended	BUDGET 1977 Submitted Without Recommendation
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (Cont'd)				
NEW EQUIPMENT				
Truck	16,000.00	13,725.50	-0-	
Compressor	6,000.00	5,841.30	-0-	
Sandspreader	2,100.00	1,795.00	-0-	
Plow Blades	3,000.00	3,192.00	2,100.00*	
Radios	2,500.00	2,420.00	-0-	
Crosswalk Paint Machine	-0-	-0-	1,000.00*	
Paging Radios	-0-	-0-	600.00	
Shop Equipment	-0-	-0-	1,000.00*	
Shop Compressor	-0-	-0-	600.00*	
Truck Covers	-0-	-0-	600.00	
Auger	-0-	-0-	2,900.00*	
Capital Reserve	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	
Sub-Total	34,600.00	31,973.80	13,800.00	
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS	264,038.06	270,157.77	328,620.00	
PARKS & RECREATION				
Park Maintenance	-0-	-0-	8,152.00	
Downtown Beautification	-0-	-0-	14,274.00*	
Skating Rink	-0-	-0-	2,530.00	
Tennis Courts	-0-	-0-	3,000.00	
Special Projects	-0-	-0-	5,600.00	
Oyster River Youth Association	-0-	-0-	4,500.00	
Food for Swans	-0-	-0-	125.00	
Baseball/Softball Field				10,000.00
TOTAL PARKS & RECREATION	13,770.00	14,196.83	38,181.00	10,000.00
TRASH COLLECTION				
Payroll	9,142.54	8,919.94	10,571.00	
Recycling	5,000.00	5,000.00	-0-	
Dumpsters	-0-	-0-	1,800.00	
TOTAL TRASH COLLECTION	14,142.54	13,919.94	12,371.00	
INCINERATOR OPERATION				
Payroll	31,619.84	27,938.71	37,995.00	
Work Clothes	-0-	-0-	639.00	
Maintenance Mileage	-0-	-0-	312.00	
Supplies	1,000.00	1,098.33	1,050.00	
Utilities	6,300.00	6,333.24	7,728.00	
Propane Gas	4,000.00	4,268.84	4,000.00	
Insurance	500.00	474.35	580.00	
Incinerator Equipment Rental	1,200.00	735.48	580.00	
Equipment Maintenance	2,430.00	3,284.46	1,500.00	
Contract Maintenance	11,000.00	8,346.49	11,500.00	
Engineering Study	3,500.00	3,500.00	20,000.00**	
Sub-Total	61,549.84	55,979.90	85,884.00	

*Revenue Sharing Item,
See Warrant Article No. 20.

**Warrant Article

	Budgeted 1976	Expended 1976	PROPOSED BUDGET 1977 Submitted Without Recommendation
			Recommended
INCINERATOR OPERATION (Cont'd)			
CAPITAL EXPENSE			
Wood Chipper	7,500.00	7,182.00	-0-
Loader Replacement	-0-	-0-	10,000.00*
Shop Equipment	-0-	-0-	1,000.00
Renovation to Existing Incinerator	-0-	-0-	40,000.00
Sub-Total	7,500.00	7,182.00	51,000.00
TOTAL INCINERATOR	69,049.84	63,161.90	136,884.00
SECONDARY TREATMENT			
Secondary Sewage Treatment Facilities			1,700,000.00**
MILL POND ROAD SEWER			27,850.00**
FIRE DEPARTMENT			
Regular Salaries	144,385.80		161,379.00
Merit Increases	782.30		3,691.00
Longevity Increases	500.00		500.00
Holiday Pay	5,443.00		5,988.00
Overtime:			
Misc., vacation, sick subst.	6,000.00		7,150.00
Emergency callbacks	900.00		990.00
Salary differential	1,839.78		2,024.00
Call Department Salaries	5,000.00		4,000.00
Sub-Total, Salaries	164,850.88	161,931.72	185,722.00
Retirement Fund & FICA	11,540.00	11,110.74	13,316.00
Personnel, Supplies & Equip.	3,096.50	1,951.08	3,214.00
Office Supplies	2,980.00	3,125.34	3,330.00
Insurance	2,530.00	3,366.00	2,800.00
Training & Fire Prevention	2,700.00	2,615.70	2,600.00
Equipment Maintenance Supplies	11,770.00	15,653.88	15,000.00
Travel	300.00	1,501.59	-0-
Sub-Total, Operating Expense	34,916.50	39,324.33	40,260.00
CAPITAL EXPENSE:			
New Equipment	8,700.00	8,700.00	8,730.00
Fire Prevention Car	-0-	-0-	1,800.00
Utility Vehicle	-0-	-0-	1,500.00
Sub-Total, Capital Expense	8,700.00	8,700.00	12,030.00
TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT	208,467.38	209,956.05	238,012.00
TOWN SHARE (1/3)	69,489.13	69,985.35	79,337.34
Rescue Equipment	-0-	-0-	3,500.00

*Revenue Sharing Item,
See Warrant Article No. 20.

**Warrant Article

	Budgeted 1976	Expended 1976	PROPOSED BUDGET 1977 Submitted Without Recommendation	Recommended
DISPATCH CENTER				
Regular Salaries	34,365.00		41,546.00	
Merit Increases	658.00		1,201.00	
Holiday Pay	2,080.00		2,678.00	
Overtime:				
Vacation, Sick Subst.	750.00		1,000.00	
Emergency callbacks	350.00		350.00	
Sub-Total, Salaries	38,203.00	40,523.88	46,775.00	
Retirement Fund	2,675.00	1,681.95	2,870.00	
Personnel Supplies & Equipment	150.00		300.00	
Office Supplies	1,751.00	490.44	1,000.00	
Training	350.00		350.00	
Equipment Maintenance Supplies	605.00	1,921.68	600.00	
Sub-Total, Operating Expenses	5,531.00	4,094.07	5,120.00	
CAPITAL EXPENSE:	4,949.00	4,638.99	5,500.00	
TOTAL DISPATCH CENTER	48,683.00	49,256.94	57,395.00	
TOWN SHARE (1/3)	<u>16,227.67</u>	<u>16,418.98</u>	<u>19,131.66</u>	
MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNTS				
Street Lighting	20,000.00	18,047.15	28,000.00*	
Hydrant Rental	11,000.00	11,000.00	11,000.00	
Library	11,000.00	11,000.00	12,000.00	
Civil Defense	100.00	39.11	100.00	
Memorial Day	100.00	100.00	100.00	
Reappraisal of Property	27,000.00	27,000.00	2,000.00	
Tax Map	200.00	-0-	200.00	
Real Estate Tax to Other Towns	60.00	68.32	80.00	
Purchase of Property Option	500.00	500.00	500.00	
Planning Board	14,300.00	10,177.63	12,636.00	
Zoning Board of Adjustment	200.00	299.00	300.00	
Strafford Regional Planning	7,037.00	7,037.00	4,440.00	
Conservation Comm. Expenses	11,000.00	1,302.11	1,000.00	
Conservation Commission				
Capital Reserve-Land Purchase	-0-	-0-	10,000.00*	
Oyster River Home Health Assoc.	3,000.00	3,000.00	4,200.00*	
Newmarket Health Care Center	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Ambulance Service	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	
Cemeteries	3,770.00	3,332.19	5,290.00	
Improvement of Abandoned Cemeteries	-0-	-0-		300.00
Bicentennial Committee	900.00	95.50	200.00	
Parks & Recreation	(Moved)	(Moved)	(Moved)	
Bronze Plaque	1,200.00	1,150.00	-0-	
Comprehensive Plan Update	10,000.00	10,000.00	-0-	
Update John Hatch Map	500.00	500.00	-0-	
Yield Tax Payment	150.00	-0-	-0-	
New Ambulance (Notes)	15,000.00	-0-	-0-	
Fire Station Study (Notes)	20,000.00	20,000.00	-0-	
Treated Sludge Plans (Notes)	5,000.00	-0-	-0-	
Bikeway Engineering Study	10,000.00	10,000.00	-0-	
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS	176,017.00	138,648.01	96,046.00	300.00
GRAND TOTAL BUDGETED ACCOUNTS:	<u>1,222,370.35</u>	<u>1,172,323.78</u>	<u>3,028,692.00</u>	<u>62,560.00</u>

*Revenue Sharing Item,
See Warrant Article No. 20.

SUMMARY OF TRANSFERS
1977 BUDGET

FROM: TOWN OFFICE SALARIES

TO: SEWER DEPARTMENT

Selectmen	310.00
Treasurer	120.00
Clerical	2,514.50

TO: WATER DEPARTMENT

Selectmen	310.00
Treasurer	120.00
Clerical	2,514.50

5,889.00

FROM: INSURANCE EXPENSE

TO: SEWER DEPARTMENT

5,934.00

WATER DEPARTMENT

1,772.00

7,706.00

FROM: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

TO: SEWER DEPARTMENT

Superintendent of Public Works	3,600.00
Public Works Payroll	8,336.00

WATER DEPARTMENT

Superintendent of Public Works	2,245.00
Public Works Payroll	4,000.00

INCINERATOR

Superintendent of Public Works	3,600.00
Public Works Payroll	1,536.00

Planning Board	5,650.00
Trash Collection (Payroll)	10,571.00
Cemeteries	3,270.00
Parks & Recreation	12,264.00

55,072.00

ESTIMATED REVENUE

	Revenue Budgeted 1976	Revenue Received 1976	Estimated Revenue 1977	Submitted Without Recommendation
Resident Taxes	32,000.00	27,680.00	32,000.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	350.00	231.67	350.00	
Yield Taxes	900.00	949.22	850.00	
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	10,000.00	12,398.88	12,000.00	
Total Tax Collector	43,250.00	41,259.77	45,200.00	
Interest & Dividends Tax	68,000.00	68,142.90	70,000.00	
Room & Meals Tax	36,000.00	32,099.97	33,000.00	
Business Profits Tax (Town Share)	31,748.00	31,747.32	6,200.00	
Savings Bank Tax	10,000.00	11,182.13	12,000.00	
Highway Subsidy	37,751.14	37,751.14	37,701.00	
Road Toll Refunds	3,500.00	4,464.33	4,500.00	
Town Road Aid	6,707.85	-0-	15,382.00	
Water Pollution Aid R-7	1,274.00	1,274.00	1,274.00	
Water Pollution Aid C-29	26,739.00	26,739.00	26,187.00	
Water Pollution Aid C-51	13,637.00	13,907.00	13,224.00	
Grease Handling Reimbursement	8,008.55	8,008.55	7,777.00	
Total State Sources	243,365.54	235,316.34	227,245.00	
Motor Vehicle Permits	60,000.00	85,019.92	72,000.00	
Dog Licenses	1,300.00	1,304.75	1,300.00	
Sewer Entrance Fees/Present	12,000.00	-0-	-0-	
Sewer Entrance Fees/Past	750.00	890.00	740.00	
District Court	19,000.00	22,690.95	20,000.00	
Parking Fines & Permits	7,500.00	5,253.75	5,500.00	
Parking Meter Revenue	-0-	446.60	450.00	
Town Clerk Fees	1,400.00	1,728.00	1,500.00	
Business Licenses	75.00	75.00	75.00	
Filing Fees	30.00	-0-	(Misc.)	
Building Permits	2,000.00	2,400.36	2,500.00	
Septic Tank Insp. Fees	250.00	265.00	300.00	
Sale of Town Property	500.00	323.90	500.00	
Interest Income - Investments	15,000.00	13,712.99	15,000.00	
Planning Board Fees	600.00	610.00	600.00	
Zoning Board of Adjustment Reimb.	-0-	252.52	250.00	
Total Town Sources	120,405.00	134,973.74	120,715.00	
Revenue Sharing	138,613.00	131,678.52	64,956.00	12,000.00
Pumper Notes/Int. & Prin.,				
UNH Reimbursement	8,170.14	8,170.14	7,818.00	
Sewer C-29/UNH Reimbursement	12,016.18	12,016.18	11,733.00	
Incinerator Operation/				
UNH Reimbursement	36,756.16	37,000.35	46,885.00	
Cemetery Maintenance/				
Trustees of Trust Funds Reimb.	3,470.00	4,554.98	5,290.00	
Food Stamp Fees	1,900.00	1,612.25	1,600.00	

	Revenue Budgeted 1976	Revenue Received 1976	Estimated Revenue 1977	Submitted Without Recommendation
Prin. & Int., Bonds -				
Water Dept. Reimb.	62,000.00	62,000.00	60,080.00	
Miscellaneous Receipts	4,000.00	2,098.00	2,200.00	
Bikeways Donation	-0-	-0-	2,100.00	
B.O.R.	-0-	-0-	1,500.00	
L.E.A.A.	-0-	-0-	4,275.00	
Anti-Recession Fiscal Asst.	-0-	-0-	1,041.00	
Ambulance Notes	15,000.00	-0-	-0-	
Fire Station Study Notes	20,000.00	-0-	-0-	
Sewage Treatment Design Phase Notes	5,000.00	-0-	-0-	
Fire Station Study/UNH Reimb.	-0-	13,334.00	-0-	
Tax Collector Fees	500.00	-0-	-0-	
Sale of Notes (Mill Pond Road Sewer)	-0-	-0-	27,850.00	
Sale of Notes (Incinerator Repair)	-0-	-0-	40,000.00	
Sale of Notes (Urban Highway)	-0-	-0-	58,800.00	
Sale of Bond (Secondary Treatment Plant)	-0-	-0-	1,700,000.00	
Incinerator Study Reimbursement	-0-	-0-	16,844.00	
Sale of Notes (15 Newmarket Rd.)	-0-	-0-		35,000.00
Allowance for Surplus	-0-	-0-	8,314.00	
 Total Other Sources	 307,425.48	 272,464.42	 2,061,286.00	 47,000.00
 TOTAL REVENUE: ALL SOURCES	 714,446.02	 684,014.27	 2,454,446.00	 47,000.00

Water Department Operating Budget — 1977

	<u>1976 Budget</u>	<u>1976 Expended</u>	<u>1977 Proposed Budget</u>
Water Purchase	18,000.00	19,369.13	23,863.00
Fluoride	2,046.00	2,771.65	3,837.00
Meters:			
Materials	1,860.00	3,408.98	2,160.00
Labor	810.00	576.11	450.00
Water Meter Reading	510.00	371.92	450.00
Water Breaks:			
Materials	1,519.15	844.13	1,023.00
Labor	814.08	1,736.73	1,150.00
Hydrants:			
Materials	1,600.00	368.75	875.00
Labor	814.08	786.37	940.00
Distribution:			
Materials	1,200.00	2,519.19	1,665.00
Labor	1,872.00	1,379.24	1,430.00
Office & Supplies	2,825.38	2,890.67	2,664.00
Public Works Director	2,139.60	2,139.60	2,246.00
Selectmen	310.00	310.00	310.00
Treasurer	120.00	120.00	120.00
FICA, Retirement, BC/BS, Workmen's Comp., Life Ins.	1,000.00	806.99	1,263.00
Bond Payment	<u>62,000.00</u>	<u>62,000.00</u>	<u>60,080.00</u>
TOTAL	99,440.29	102,399.46	104,526.00

ESTIMATED REVENUE 1977

Water Consumption	83,000.00
Hydrant Rental	11,000.00
Water Service Work	<u>2,000.00</u>
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE	96,000.00

Sewer Maintenance

Budget and Comparative Statement

	Expended 1976	Proposed 1977	Town Share (1/3) 1977	UNH Share (2/3) 1977
Superintendent of Public Works	3,423.36	3,600.00	1,200.00	2,400.00
Operator	12,287.15	12,300.00	4,100.00	8,200.00
Crew, Full Time	8,417.11	9,986.00	3,329.00	6,657.00
Other Labor	593.11	1,000.00	333.00	667.00
Shared Lines	74.87	500.00	167.00	333.00
Town Mains & Inflow	10,000.00	6,300.00	6,300.00	-0-
Office	2,825.40	3,017.04	1,005.68	2,011.36
Treasurer	120.00	125.00	41.66	83.34
Selectmen	310.00	310.00	103.34	206.66
Benefits (BC/BS; Ret; W/C)	3,953.47	5,109.23	1,703.08	3,406.15
Electricity	2,933.88	3,080.57	1,026.85	2,053.72
Heating Oil	3,445.63	4,096.00	1,365.33	2,730.67
Chemicals	8,599.92	10,403.00	3,467.67	6,935.33
Supplies	7,178.01	7,178.00	2,392.67	4,785.33
Telephone Alarm	693.78	728.00	242.66	485.34
Water	1,123.50	1,360.00	454.00	906.00
Insurance	791.00	1,249.00	829.66	419.34
TOTAL	66,770.19	70,341.84	28,061.60	42,280.24
DOVER ROAD PUMPING STATION				
Electricity	5,299.98	5,568.00	1,856.00	3,712.00
Repairs & Replacement	1,816.39	2,587.00	862.33	1,724.67
Water	3,818.50	400.00	133.33	266.67
TOTAL	10,934.87	8,555.00	2,851.66	5,703.34
OYSTER RIVER PUMPING STATION				
Electricity	165.92	176.40	176.40	-0-
Parts & Repairs	23.84	400.00	400.00	-0-
TOTAL	189.76	576.40	576.40	-0-
RITZMAN LAB				
Electricity	169.72	180.00	-0-	180.00
Parts & Repairs	19.95	400.00	-0-	400.00
TOTAL	189.67	580.00	-0-	580.00
OTHER ITEMS				
Vehicle Operation	2,942.50	2,000.00	666.67	1,333.33
Office Expenses	266.33	279.64	93.21	186.43
Short Courses, Dues	416.20	300.00	100.00	200.00
Compost Project	2,000.00	2,000.00	666.67	1,333.33
Balance, Jenkins Court Sewer	2,610.25	1,000.00	1,000.00	-0-
Clothing Allowance	-0-	427.00	142.33	284.67
Pager	-0-	300.00	100.00	200.00
TOTAL	8,235.28	6,306.64	2,768.88	3,537.76
GRAND TOTAL	<u>86,319.77</u>	<u>86,359.88</u>	<u>34,258.54</u>	<u>52,101.34</u>

Vital Statistics

Births Registered in the Town of Durham for the year ending December 31, 1976

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Sex	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
1976					
January 30	Dover	Adam Joseph	M	Malcolm Roy McNeill, Jr.	Violeta Anne Bekeris
January 31	Exeter	Eben Terrill	M	John Erling Rines	Charlotte Janice Terrill
February 16	Exeter	Erika Lee	F	Michael John Burlage	Winifred Walsh
February 23	Portsmouth	Brian Davis	M	Richard Peter Talbot	Sarah McMillen Davis
March 12	Dover	Deron Timothy	M	Timothy Arnold Quint	Janet Reny
April 7	Dover	Chandra Dalcourt	F	Arthur Grant Davis, II	Daniele Rolande Dalcourt
April 20	Dover	Julie Sarah	F	Martin Frederick Betts	Jean Ferguson Ferrier
April 30	Dover	Benjamin Alan	M	Roger Lee Arnoldy	Marion Alice Schumacher
May 9	Dover	Ryan Dalberto	M	Charles Fanning Leonard	Loann Mary Dalberto
June 4	Dover	Elisa Grace	F	Robert Allen Fryling	Alice Lucille Watts
June 9	Dover	Baze Barigora	F	Sebuio Nduhira Mpinja	Ayi Ntamabyaliro
June 21	Dover	Brian Norvell	M	Charles Norvell Gross	Kathleen Anne Keesey
June 26	Dover	Jeannine Ngwe	F	Bernie Nooh Mvondo	Vickie Neh Ndikum
July 17	Dover	Nathan Paul	M	Lennard Ayres Fisk	Patricia Elizabeth Leuba
August 10	Portsmouth	Lindsay Allison	F	Garrett Eugene Crow	Charlyn Gae Williams
August 23	Portsmouth	Steven Patrick	M	Timothy Patrick McGrail	Rebecca Joan Anthony
September 4	Dover	Erin Houlihan	F	Michael Martin Applebee	Maureen Elizabeth Houlihan
September 8	Dover	Christopher Martin	M	Martin Joseph Hegarty	Janet Marie Powers
September 10	Dover	Mary Jane	F	David Michael Hays	Debra Jean Wainwright
September 13	Dover	Alicia Lynn	F	Donald Prescott Sweet, Jr.	Tamiko Yamashiro
September 21	Portsmouth	Jessica	F	Nicholas Stephen Zaricki	Alexis Karkota
October 3	Dover	Kyle Tirrell	M	Barry Gene Morgan	Laureen Sherry Ring
October 6	Exeter	Adam Caron	M	Robert Cecil King	Frances Ellen Caron
October 8	Exeter	Stephen Russell	M	Russell Carter Bjork	Janet Beatrice Montgomery
October 28	Dover	Andrea	F	Kenneth William Dow	Gail Casarano
November 4	Exeter	Abigail Louisa	F	John Edward Carroll	Diana Christine Beauchemin
November 11	Dover	Jacob Eugene	M	Mark Edwin Coburn	Mary Irene Smith
November 29	Dover	Nicholas Francis	M	Richard Alonzo Petrie	Virginia Lee Rowley
December 27	Dover	Winthrop Freeman, III	M	Winthrop Freeman Puffer, Jr.	Carolyn Frances Doyle
December 31	Exeter	Kamala Shantal	F	Ronald W. Reedy	Bridget Mary O'Malley

Deaths Registered in the Town of Durham for the year ending December 31, 1976

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and Surname of Deceased	Age	Sex	Color	Status	State of Birth	Occupation
December 21	Gloucester, Mass.	Gary Robinson	20	M	W	S	New Hampshire	Student
1976								
January 18	Rochester	Earl J. Burke	73	M	W	W	Massachusetts	Engineer
January 24	Dover	Winnifred E. Dean	102	F	W	W	Maine	Housewife
January 27	Durham	Carrie E. Gray	86	F	W	W	Massachusetts	School Teacher
February 11	Dover	Agnes E. Browne	94	F	W	W	Pennsylvania	Housewife
February 16	Dover	Alma C. Lunt	79	F	W	W	New Hampshire	Housewife
March 2	Dover	Carmelia Beaudet	86	F	W	W	Canada	Housewife
March 2	Dover	Bertha G. Simpson	87	F	W	W	New Hampshire	Teacher
March 3	Dover	Olive S. Forrest	76	F	W	M	New Hampshire	Housewife
March 10	Hartford, Vt.	Nicholas F. Colovos	71	M	W	M	Greece	Professor
March 16	Durham	Henry B. Stevens	84	M	W	W	New Hampshire	Administrator
March 27	Exeter	David R. Converse	31	M	W	M	Massachusetts	Head Resident
April 1	Dover	Welsford J. Hovey	52	M	W	M	Massachusetts	Retired T/Sgt.
April 10	Exeter	Elizabeth K. Chase	87	F	W	W	Massachusetts	Housemother
May 29	Portland, Me.	John M. Donovan	53	M	W	M	New York	Rehabilitation Worker
May 29	Durham	Mary R. Snyder	81	F	W	W	New York	Housewife
June 12	Durham	Vivian M. Hagstrom	68	F	W	W	Massachusetts	Homemaker
June 25	Dover	Marion S. Solt	77	F	W	W	Maine	Housewife
June 30	Durham	Joseph E. Perrigo	30	M	W	M	New Hampshire	Teacher
July 16	Durham	Karel A. Wolterbeek	20	M	W	S	Germany	Student
August 7	Dover	Emma M. Hall	74	F	W	D	Florida	Inspector
August 15	Dover	Harold A. Iddles	80	M	W	S	Michigan	Professor
August 16	Dover	Siegfried Holz	87	M	W	M	Germany	Lawyer
August 19	Durham	Bradford W. McIntire	72	M	W	M	New Hampshire	Merchant
August 29	Rochester	Myra Bennett	92	F	W	S	Virginia	Private Secretary
September 12	Rochester	Elizabeth R. Chase	81	F	W	M	Scotland	Housewife
October 22	Dover	Beryl Scott	66	F	W	W	Canada	Housewife
October 31	Exeter	Calixte J. Baillargeon	80	M	W	M	Canada	Meat Cutter
November 5	Dover	Tenho S. Kauppinen	64	M	W	M	Massachusetts	Assistant Dean
November 27	Dover	Matilda F. Walsh	83	F	W	M	Massachusetts	Housewife

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Linda L. Ek Dahl, Town Clerk

Marriages Registered in the Town of Durham for the year ending December 31, 1976

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Bride and Groom	Residence of Each at Time of Marriage	Name and Designation of Officiant
1975				
December 27	Hooksett	Bruce David Corsetti Mary Exilda Damour	Durham Raymond	Rev. Michael Custer, O.S.B. Catholic Priest
December 31	Durham	John Raymond Delano Janie Lee Landroche	Durham Dover	Edward W. Meury Minister
1976				
January 2	Durham	Scott Hayden Blanchard	Durham	Joseph E. Michael, Jr. Justice of the Peace
January 3	Durham	Lois Frances Gervais	Santa Barbara, Calif.	Joseph Desmond Catholic Priest
January 5	Swansey	Michael Arthur Lowry Patricia Anne McKeon Gary Edward Keating Stephanie Tower	Lebanon Yorktown Hts., N.Y. N. Swansey Durham	Rev. Gerry E. Wehrivein Clergyman
January 18	Durham	Edward Harlow Bartlett	Manchester	Joseph Desmond Catholic Priest
February 7	Durham	Pamela Ann Ryan	Durham	Linda L. Ekdahl Justice of the Peace
February 14	Rye Harbor	Gerry Clinton Tremain Eleanor Tremain	Flanders, N. J. Dover	Justice of the Peace Ruth Ann Tift
February 21	Durham	Kenneth Jon May	Durham	Justice of the Peace
March 20	Portsmouth	Gertrude Mary Moore Richard Eugene Daisey Donna Jean Tirrell	Orford Durham	Harold D. Moran Justice of the Peace
April 18	Portsmouth	Robert John Pearson Judith Rogers True John Augustus Copeland, Jr. Jane Lowell Moore	Portsmouth Durham Dover Hampton	Joseph E. Michael, Jr. Justice of the Peace Harold W. Woodbury Minister
April 24	Durham	Donald Elroy Crockford Desiree Brewer	Durham	Rev. Albert W. Snow Priest
May 8	Durham	James Thomas Rodier Deborah NMN McLaughlin	New York, N. Y. Rye	Rev. Albert W. Snow Priest
May 15	Durham	Ernest Everett Averill, Jr. Leigh Gail Hansen	Ft. Myers, Fla. Ft. Myers, Fla.	James E. Craig Minister
May 15	Durham	Richard Wayne LaCroix JoAnne Whipple	Durham Exeter	Rev. Leon P. Gaulin Roman Catholic Priest
May 15	Durham	Andre Robert Petrin Kathleen Marie Vaughan	Goffstown Durham	Rev. Leon P. Gaulin Roman Catholic Priest
May 18	Durham	George Akeson Morton Kathleen Ann Hayes	Newmarket Newmarket	James B. Levine Justice of the Peace

May 22	Durham	Vinod Kumar Nayyar	Durham	Edward W. Meury
May 29	Newmarket	Deborah Rae Self	Durham	Minister
June 5	Middlebury, Vt.	Bruce Myles Hopey	Newmarket	Philip P. Bruni
June 12	Rindge	April Lee Kliphan	Durham	Roman Catholic Priest
June 19	Durham	William Henry Everett	Durham	Rev. Wilfred A. Houle
June 26	Rochester	Linnea Ruth James	Weybridge, Vt.	Roman Catholic Priest
June 26	Durham	Stephen Edwin Eldred	Durham	Karen E. Evans and Laurence
June 26	Durham	Christine Marie Jenkins	Hamilton, Mass.	T. Evans, Witnesses, Bahais
June 26	Durham	Eugene Sweetser Martin	Portland, Me.	William E. Head
June 26	Durham	Phyllis Marie Griffin	Portland, Me.	Minister
July 3	Durham	Leo Joseph Caron	Rochester	Rev. William L. Shafer
July 4	Durham	Patricia Jane Montagano	Durham	Ord. Elder
July 10	Durham	William John Mutchler	Derry	Rev. Albert W. Snow
July 17	Dover	Carol Marie Cipriani	Wilmington, Mass.	Priest
July 24	Durham	Gene Edward Porter	Aurora, Col.	Joseph Desmond
July 31	Durham	Carol Eleanor Shea	Aurora, Col.	Priest
August 7	Dover	Mark Stephen Winter	Hanover	Joseph Desmond
August 13	Dover	Jane-Frances Marie Harrity	Dover	Priest
August 14	Durham	James Anthony Faria	Durham	Edward W. Meury
August 21	Durham	Stephanie Alyn Berry	Rochester	Minister
August 21	Durham	Joseph Lataneau Peterson, Jr.	Hooksett	Arthur W. Perkins
	Durham	Kathy Ann Wright	Hooksett	Justice of the Peace
	Durham	Michael Wayne Lucco	New Britain, Conn.	Joseph Desmond
	Durham	Janet Eileen Parks	Kensington, Conn.	Priest
	Durham	Gary Edward Thorn	Durham	Perry M. Blankenship
	Durham	Sally Jo Sousane	Dover	Minister
	Durham	Peter Franz Svatek	Durham	William E. Head
	Durham	Kathleen Cecily Doll	Durham	Minister
	Durham	Scott Terence Linehan	Manchester	Joseph Desmond
	Durham	Gail Ann Carbonneau	Durham	Priest
	Durham	Sheldon Roy Sanborn	Weare	Rev. Marie Tolander
	Durham	Debra Gale Holloway	Durham	Minister
	Durham	Richard Andrew Andersen	Durham	Rev. Thomas J. Hannigan
	Durham	Karen Ann Donahue	Manchester	Roman Catholic Priest
	Durham	Michael Allan Lamson	Durham	William E. Head
	Durham	Carol Ann Kearns	Durham	Minister
	Durham	Bruce Robert Jennison	Madbury	Rev. Leon P. Gaulin
	Durham	Janice Ann Jewell	Durham	Roman Catholic Priest
	Durham	Gregory Donald Schmitz	Durham	Rev. Leon P. Gaulin
	Durham	Karen Sue Hansen	Durham	Roman Catholic Priest
	Durham	Howard Stearns Frizzell	Durham	Rev. John H. Roby
	Durham	Marguerite Rita Lessard	Durham	Priest
	Durham	Clairmont J. Herman	Durham	William E. Head
	Durham	Cynthia Helena Evans	Durham	Minister

August 21	Durham	Thomas Alan Laroche	Durham	Rev. Leon P. Gaulin
August 21	Durham	Cheryl Renee Newhall	Dover	Roman Catholic Priest
August 28	Durham	Jonathan Nairn Wood	Durham	Rev. Leon P. Gaulin
August 28	Durham	Joyce Marie DeFeo	Manchester	Roman Catholic Priest
August 28	Durham	Keith Edwin Driggs	Nashua	Charles N. Gross
August 28	Durham	Linda Lee Gray	Manchester	Minister
September 17	Durham	Hali Anis El-Khourl	Durham	Linda L. Ekdahl
September 18	Durham	Judith Ann Tapply	Durham	Justice of the Peace
September 26	Durham	David D. Linnemeyer	Newmarket	Thomas M. Dudley, Jr.
September 26	Durham	Linda F. Winkler	Newmarket	Justice of the Peace
October 2	Lebanon	David Michael LeGault	Newmarket	Joseph Desmond
October 2	Exeter	Patricia Elizabeth Lockhardt	Durham	Priest
October 9	Durham	James Marshall Williams	Durham	William E. Head
October 16	Milford	Judith Ann Malin	Durham	Minister
October 17	Manchester	Evangalos Nikolaou Charos	Durham	Harold B. Blodgett
October 19	Durham	Marvann Andrews	Hanover	Justice of the Peace
October 22	Alton Bay	Douglas V. E. Dodd	Durham	Frederick M. Brooks
October 22	Durham	Rebecca R. Niebling	Exeter	Minister
October 22	Durham	Mark Joseph Houle	Durham	Joseph Desmond
October 22	Durham	Margaret Grace Knight	Durham	Priest
October 22	Durham	Peter Aldrich Dudley	Durham	Rev. Daniel W. Ferz
October 22	Durham	Ann Louise Thibodeau	Milford	Priest
October 22	Durham	Andrew M. Proulx	Durham	Rev. George Mcozioin
October 22	Durham	Marilyn I. Dakos	Dover	Priest
October 22	Durham	Mark Edwin Coburn	Durham	Edward W. Meury
October 22	Durham	Mary Irene Smith	Nottingham	Minister
October 22	Durham	Douglas Irving Lash	Dover	Richard A. Bernard
October 22	Durham	Diane Connor	Durham	Justice of the Peace
October 22	Durham	Gerry C. Tremain	Durham	Linda L. Ekdahl
October 22	Durham	Charlotte A. Bailey	Lee	Justice of the Peace
October 22	Durham	Christopher Alan Cross	York, Me.	Robert B. Whalen
October 22	Durham	Cynthia Jane Bouchard	Durham	Catholic Chaplain
October 22	Durham	Logan Drummond Delany, Jr.	New York, N. Y.	Charles N. Gross
October 22	Durham	Penelope Leslie Prince	Durham	Minister
October 22	Durham	William Francis Lockhardt, III	Durham	Richard F. Maxwell
October 22	Durham	Jill Marie Reed	Durham	Minister
October 22	Durham	Thomas Franklin Richardson, III	Durham	Parkman D. Howe, Jr.
October 22	Durham	Elizabeth Haines George	Durham	Minister
October 22	Durham	Paul Douglas Allen	Durham	Edward W. Meury
October 22	Durham	Lynn Melissa Johnson	Durham	Minister
October 22	Durham	Allan Baker Partridge	Durham	Edward E. Meury
October 22	Durham	Florence Minnie Willett	Durham	Minister
October 22	Durham	David Allan Welch	Durham	Charles N. Gross
October 22	Durham	Deborah Lee Pierce	Durham	Minister

December 20	Durham	Winthrop Freeman Puffer, Jr.	Durham	Linda L. Ekdahl
		Carolyn Frances Woolsey	Durham	Justice of the Peace
December 26	Durham	Chester John Kostrzewa, Jr.	Beloit, Wis.	Joseph Desmond
		Diane Mary Sawyer	York Harbor, Me.	Priest
December 31	Rochester	Daniel Charles Day	Rochester	Rev. William L. Shafer
		Barbara Ellen Halperin	Durham	Ord. Elder

PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWN

<u>BUILDINGS</u>		Approximate Value	SIZE: 25.5 square miles (2.2 of them are water)
Location			
Town Hall (Police Dept., Court, Museum)	\$ 73,900.00	POPULATION: State estimate: 4,572.	
Highway Department Garage	30,000.00	Federal estimate: 10,869	
Highway Department Garage (Sheds)	25,000.00		
Sewage Treatment Plant	406,700.00	TOWN ROADS: 40 miles.	
Sewage Pumping Station, Dover Road	173,500.00		
Incinerator	271,400.00	STATE ROADS: 19 miles.	
New Town Office Building	37,000.00		
Hockey Warming Hut	3,154.00	SIDEWALKS: 23,983 linear feet, or 4.54 miles.	
Grease Handling Facility	112,000.00		

LAND

Lot #55, Woodridge Road
 Schoolhouse Lane, Town Garage Lot.
 Old Landing Road, 400' north side, 100' south side.
 Mill Pond Road Park.
 Mill Pond Dam, north side.
 Police Building Lot, 40' x 50'.
 Tot Lot.
 Town Lot and land in Provost Development.
 Oyster River Park.
 Smith Chapel and two acres, Mill Pond Road.
 Littlehale Road Lot.
 Jackson Landing.
 Cedar Point, two shallow lots.
 Durham Point Road at intersection with Langley Road.
 Lee Pit.
 Well Site, four acres off U. S. Route 4 in Lee.
 Lot 27, Longmarsh Road - Beaver Pond Conservation Area.
 Wiswall Road Dam Site.
 Spruce Hole Conservation area.
 Doe Farm.

RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

Skating Rink at Jackson's Landing.
 Jackson's Landing boating facilities.
 Cedar Point boat ramp.
 Tot Lot.
 Oyster River Park.
 Recreational walking route via Class VI roads, as seen in "Walking Durham."
 Old Landing (both sides of bridge).
 Town Shipyard boat landing.
 Mill Pond scenic area.
 Doe Farm.
 Bicentennial Park at Main Street and Mill Road.
 Launching ramp at Adams Point.

Public Works Department

1976 brought changes in the Public Works Department. With the retirement of Rudy Niemi, Clyde Fogg was promoted to Highway Supervisor. Under the very capable leadership of Brian Beers, Highway Supervisor, and Clyde Fogg, we have continued to upgrade the Department, working within allotted manhours to complete projects scheduled for the year.

In our resurfacing project, the surfaces of Wiswall Road, Beech Hill Road and Riverview Road were completely ripped up. With the addition of oil, the surface was remixed and laid back down, giving the roads a much smoother surface and thicker pavement for a very economical price.

Back River Road, Mast Road, Colony Cove Road, sections of Mill Road, Magrath Road, Croghan Lane, a section of Pinecrest Lane, Sunnyside Road, Willey Road, Ffrost Drive and Emerson Road received shimming, sealing, culvert and ditching work where needed.

Drainage was added at the intersections of Faculty Road and Mill Pond Road and Cowell Drive and Sauer Terrace. A great deal of ledge was encountered on the Sauer Terrace project. These two projects included the installation of six catch basins and 1,000 feet of 10-inch pipe.

It has been the policy of the Department to reconstruct one major roadway per year, and Garrison Avenue was the 1976 project. Work was done from the intersection of Madbury Road to Main Street. The project included widening of the road for bikelanes, sidewalk reconstruction alignment, drainage, landscaping, curbing, and a better traffic flow at the intersection of Main Street and Garrison Avenue.

The sewer line in the vicinity of the Town parking lot and Jenkins Court was reconstructed, eliminating the old system that ran under a number of buildings and had high water run-off infiltration. The cost of this project was borne by the sewer users and the work completed by the Public Works Department. A tremendous amount of ledge was encountered on this project.

Denbow Road, an unscheduled project, was added to the reconstruction schedule because of the collapse of the road. This project included drainage, new base materials, resurfacing, guard rail, and landscaping which will be completed in the spring of 1977.

Along with the above projects, the Department completed the following fixed tasks: Snow removal, street sweeping, refuse collection, recycling demonstration program, tree removal, equipment maintenance, patching, spring and fall cleanup, signs and traffic painting, grading of dirt roads, and culvert cleaning.

Among the new equipment purchased in 1976 was a Cab and Chassis dump truck, with the plowing equipment and dump body taken off the truck being replaced and put on the new truck. This resulted in a substantial savings. A new compressor was added to the equipment to aid in ledge drilling. Two new snowplows and a patrol sander were also purchased for snow removal operations. Needless to say, they have been well used.

The maintenance of Parks, Cemeteries, and Downtown Beautification is under the fine leadership of Mr. Guy Hodgdon. This program includes the mowing of all parks and cemeteries in Town, including approximately 25 different areas. The major projects included restoration of the wall at

the Town Landing, a new boat ramp and walk at the Town Landing, a boat ramp and restoration of the bridge abutment at Cedar Point, new planking of the wharf at Jackson's Landing, and extension of the jetty at Jackson's Landing.

The Downtown Beautification project included the addition of a water fountain, flag poles, and flower boxes made by the Oyster River School shop classes. 1976 being the Bicentennial Year, a number of the flower designs depicted this theme. It is pleasing to report that vandalism of these projects was very minor. In keeping with the Christmas spirit, a Christmas tree, wreaths and a Nativity Scene were displayed in the Downtown area during the Holiday Season.

The Department is continuing the practice of determining costs and manhours to complete all Public Works programs in order to better evaluate the impact of such services to the community. We are at the point now of projecting multi-year programs in resurfacing of roads, the equipment capital account, and manhours needed to completely define projects in order to obtain realistic goals for the program.

Public Works Advisory Committee

The Public Works Advisory Committee has, during the past year, evaluated in detail a seven-year paving program that will include all of the Town's streets. This paving plan is designed to minimize long-term costs by providing for timely maintenance. The Committee with the Director of Public Works developed an equipment depreciation schedule that identifies explicitly the short- and long-term annual costs that are necessary to maintain our present equipment inventory. The Committee also evaluated the facility needs of the department.

We have continued consultation with the Board of Selectmen and the Superintendent of Public Works on the acquisition of equipment, the development of priorities for the current year's major projects, salary schedules and fringe benefits and the cost effectiveness of the use of manpower in the department.

Richard S. Davis, Chairman
Norman W. Stiles
Alden L. Winn (resigned)
James C. Chamberlin (to replace Alden
L. Winn)



Incinerator

The Durham-UNH Incinerator achieved a very successful operating record in 1976 under the leadership of Gilbert Lang. The plant incinerated an estimated 5,000 tons of refuse at an operating cost of \$13.80 per ton.

Two major improvements made at the plant were the addition of a wood chipper and the elimination (in August) of all propane gas used to fuel the fire. The chipper has eliminated a good portion of the outside burning of brush, with the chips being used for our composting project at the Waste Water Treatment Plant. The elimination of the use of propane gas in the furnace has been achieved by proper venting and regulating of forced air during the burning process in the furnace.

An engineering study conducted jointly by the Durham-UNH Incinerator Committee and Camp Dresser & McKee, consultants, set the following goals: (1) Evaluate the present incinerator system; (2) Proposal of a backup to the present facility. At the 1977 Town Meeting there will be two proposed Warrant Articles in connection with achieving both of the above goals.

Recycling dumpsters were added to the site this past year, enabling residents coming to the incinerator site to separate glass and cans and newsprint. Separation of heavy metals has continued, with the material being hauled off and sold during the year.

The continued successful operation of this facility is the result of the use of combined resources and excellent cooperation between the Town and the University in the management of the Incinerator Plant.

Civil Defense

With the assistance of the former Center for Emergency Planning, the Town and the University participated in a workshop entitled "Emergency Operations Simulation Training". The purpose of the workshop was to assist the Town and University officials in determining the effectiveness of the Emergency Operation Plan, which was updated in 1974, as well as providing instruction in starting an Emergency Operation Center. The workshop was most useful, in that the participants were able to experience the handling of direction and control of operations under emergency situations.

The joint Town-UNH Disaster Control Committee is planning to schedule more of the simulated training courses in the future.

David Littlefield

Recycling Committee

Background

At the Town Meeting on March 3, 1976, inhabitants of the Town of Durham qualified to vote in town affairs passed Warrant Article 20 which follows:

To see if the town will undertake a community-wide program to test the feasibility of recycling and will direct the selectmen to enact the necessary ordinances to carry out the following:

- A. Those served by municipal refuse collection shall keep glass, cans and clean paper separate from other trash as specified by town ordinance.
- B. A practicable means of pickup of these recyclable materials shall be developed, and a sum of \$5,000 shall be appropriated to put this plan into effect.
- C. A committee shall be established consisting of representatives from the selectmen, Public Works Department and interested citizens to oversee this recycling project and to present an evaluation of its costs and benefits to the 1977 town meeting.

In accordance with Part C., the Selectmen named the following to constitute the mandated committee: James Chamberlin (Chairman), Margaret Bogle, George Crombie, Henry Dozier, and Hollis Leland. This committee monitored the recycling project, and presents the following report.

Actions

- 1. Discussion and field trips led to the decision to conduct a program to run at least eleven weeks which would yield sufficient information to permit reliable cost estimation and the general efficacy of the program. Committee minutes and field trip reports are in the committee file.
- 2. The program covered the entire town to obtain a measure of the amount of recyclables that would be obtained and the costs involved. Pickup in limited areas only would have introduced the need for extrapolation and might not have reflected properly Durham's combination of both urban and rural residential areas. Businesses and large apartments having private contractors were not included in the program, nor were any University facilities involved.
- 3. Pickup was made of newsprint, clear glass and cans, and colored glass and cans. Instructions to Durham householders and general publicity preceded commencement of the actual collection program during the week of October 4, 1976. The program continued through the week of December 17, 1976 (eleven weeks).
- 4. The pickup procedure, involving a crew and a compartmented truck, is described in a report from the Public Works Department. This report also presents the yield of recyclables and cost factors involved in the program, as a basis for the estimation of the costs of a permanent recycling program involving house-to-house pickup. That report also

includes pertinent information on processing costs, if sale of recyclables were to be instituted.

5. The committee reported to the Board of Selectmen on February 7, 1977.

Summary of Results

1. Participation in the program, as based on stops per week where recyclables were present, was 78 percent during the voluntary phase and 97 - 99 percent during the mandatory phase. The weight of recyclables per household was consistent with the statistics from other towns with municipal pickup.
2. The recyclables during the mandatory phase averaged 8.13 tons per week.
3. The cost of recyclables pickup was \$476.00 per week.
4. The net cost to the Town per year for pickup would be \$24,752.00.
5. If the recyclables were delivered to the UNH Recycling Center without processing, a possible return of \$500.00 to \$700.00 per year might be expected.
6. If the recyclables were to be processed by the Town and sold at the present market prices, the return per year would be \$6,831.00 with a processing cost of \$5,499.00. The net return per year to the Town would be \$1,332.00 per year.
7. The net cost per year to the Town, if processed and sold at the present market value, would be \$23,420.00 (\$24,752.00 minus \$1,332.00).
8. If a specially designed truck were purchased and amortized, pickup could be done with two men instead of three. Due to the equipment investment, the cost per year to the Town would not differ from the cost using the old truck and three men.
9. Once-a-month pickup of recyclables would require the purchase of a specially designed truck, and the provision of added manpower in the Public Works Department. Unless pickup could be contracted for surrounding towns, costs would not be significantly reduced.
10. If newsprint alone were collected by racks on the present truck it would involve an additional man at about \$6,000.00 per year.
11. The cost of non-recyclable rubbish processing at the incinerator would not be significantly reduced by the removal of the present volume of recyclables.

Respectfully submitted,

James C. Chamberlin, Chairman
Durham Recycling Committee

Water Department

Durham residents on the Town water system consumed an estimated 90,000,000 gallons of water in 1976.

The Public Works employees maintain the water system, stocking an emergency supply of all repair products in case of a failure in the water system.

Work on the system in 1976 included all tapping and installation of new house service, repairing a number of water main breaks, with a major break occurring on Christmas Eve to a ten-inch water main on Church Hill. Forty new water meters were installed for present users, and 32 meters for new customers. Flushing of the hydrant system in conjunction with the Fire Department, color-coding all hydrant nozzles for determining flow capacity of the hydrant, the locating of all gate boxes in the system, and continuation of bringing these gate boxes to grade, have been ongoing projects during 1976.

Because of the cost of bond payments being borne by the water users for the new water tank and the agreed upon increase in cost of water purchased from the University, maintenance of the system will be stressed with no new construction scheduled for the next few years.

Income projected for 1977 will include hydrant rental, new house service fees, and a 73¢ per 100 cubic feet charge for all water used in the system, including both residential and commercial users.



1975 WATER TOWER CONSTRUCTION
BOND ISSUE

Original Issue \$515,000.00, April 1, 1975, Payable in 20 years
Interest 6.4% due April 1 and October 1
Annual principal payment \$30,000.00,
due April 1, 1976, 1977, 1978
Annual principal payment \$25,000.00 due April 1
Final Payment April 1, 1995
Principal and Interest paid by Water Department Revenues

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PRINCIPAL</u>	<u>INTEREST</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1975	\$-----	\$-----	\$-----
1976	30,000.00	22,000.00	62,000.00
1977	30,000.00	30,080.00	60,080.00
1978	30,000.00	28,160.00	58,160.00
1979	25,000.00	26,400.00	51,400.00
1980	25,000.00	24,800.00	49,800.00
1981	25,000.00	23,200.00	48,200.00
1982	25,000.00	21,600.00	46,600.00
1983	25,000.00	20,000.00	45,000.00
1984	25,000.00	18,400.00	43,400.00
1985	25,000.00	16,800.00	41,800.00
1986	25,000.00	15,200.00	40,200.00
1987	25,000.00	13,600.00	38,600.00
1988	25,000.00	12,000.00	37,000.00
1989	25,000.00	10,400.00	35,400.00
1990	25,000.00	8,800.00	33,800.00
1991	25,000.00	7,200.00	32,200.00
1992	25,000.00	5,600.00	30,600.00
1993	25,000.00	4,000.00	29,000.00
1994	25,000.00	2,400.00	27,400.00
1995	25,000.00	800.00	25,800.00
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	\$515,000.00	\$337,920.00	\$852,920.00



Sewer Policy Committee

Since my appointment to this committee in mid-1976, I have been designated Chairman. I want to pay tribute to Ralph Meyers who resigned from this committee after a long period of dedicated and effective service.

This report will be brief and, if desirable, will be supplemented by comments that should be reported on that I have missed by George Crombie, Superintendent of Public Works.

Progress is being made toward implementing the sludge composting project. It appears that this will be the least expensive way available to handle this material in a satisfactory manner.

The committee has reviewed the Sewer Department budget for 1977 with Mr. Crombie and recommends its adoption by the Board of Selectmen. All efforts are being made by those concerned to keep this department within reasonable cost limits. However, inflation and necessary improvements seem to be constant problems in need of attention.

Another necessary improvement that is required by Federal and State regulations is the construction of secondary treatment facilities. Plans for this are well under way, and a public hearing has been scheduled to consider a bond issue proposal which will come before the 1977 Town Meeting.

Meetings of this committee are held at irregular intervals; however, if anyone has questions relative to the sewer system, please contact Mr. Crombie or one of the Sewer Policy Committee members.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry A. Davis, Chairman
Owen B. Durgin
Herbert Jackson
Eugene H. Leaver
T. R. Meyers (resigned)
Ralph G. Smallidge
Alden L. Winn (resigned)



1964 Sewer Construction Bond Issue¹

\$1,000,000 Payable in 20 Years
Interest 3% due March 1 and September 1;
\$50,000 payment on principal due September 1

Year	Total Payment Principal and Interest	Grant (C-29) ²	U.N.H. Share ³	Town Share
1965	\$ 80,000.00	\$	\$ 15,138.55	\$ 64,861.45
1966	78,500.00	50,712.00	14,854.65	12,933.35
1967	77,000.00	30,287.00	14,570.80	32,142.20
1968	75,500.00	31,155.00	14,286.96	30,058.04
1969	74,000.00	30,603.00	14,003.11	29,393.89
1970	72,500.00	30,051.00	13,719.26	28,729.74
1971	71,000.00	29,499.00	13,435.41	28,065.59
1972	69,500.00	28,947.00	13,151.57	27,401.43
1973	68,000.00	28,395.00	12,867.72	26,737.28
1974	66,500.00	27,843.00	12,583.87	26,073.13
1975	65,000.00	27,291.00	12,300.03	25,408.97
1976	63,500.00	26,739.00	12,016.18	24,744.82
1977	62,000.00	26,187.00	11,732.33	24,080.67
1978	60,500.00	25,635.00	11,448.49	23,416.51
1979	59,000.00	25,083.00	11,164.64	22,752.36
1980	57,500.00	24,531.00	10,880.79	22,088.21
1981	56,000.00	23,979.00	10,596.95	21,424.05
1982	54,500.00	23,427.00	10,313.10	20,759.90
1983	53,000.00	22,875.00	10,029.25	20,095.75
1984	51,500.00	22,323.00	9,745.41	19,431.59
1985		21,750.00*		
TOTALS	\$ 1,315,000.00	\$ 557,312.00	\$ 248,839.07	\$ 530,598.93
Balance payable from Town funds January 1, 1974				\$ 250,275.96

*State was one year late in starting its payment on grant. Credit to General Funds.

¹ This bond issue covered six different contracts in improving and extending the sewer system. The University shared in the cost of the construction contracts which benefited the University. See agreements for payment and operation in official Town files.

² From schedule on file from State agency.

³ UNH is billed annually for its share by the Town.

1968 College Brook Interceptor Renewal Project

PROJECT C-51
(See 1972 Town Report)

REIMBURSEMENT AND PAYMENT SCHEDULE

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>REC'D FROM STATE</u>	<u>TOTAL PAID</u>
1969	5,511.00	15,516.70
1970	16,001.00	15,600.00
1971	15,709.00	15,200.00
1972	15,416.00	14,800.00
1973	15,124.00	14,400.00
1974	14,464.00	14,000.00
1975	14,050.00	13,600.00
1976	13,637.00	13,200.00
1977	13,224.00	12,800.00
1978	12,810.00	12,400.00
1979	12,398.00	12,000.00
1980	11,984.00	11,600.00
1981	11,571.00	11,200.00
1982	11,158.00	10,800.00
1983	10,750.00	10,400.00

Final Payment December 1, 1983.

1971 Grease Handling Facilities Project

Serial Note Issue
4%

Amount of Original Issue	\$83,000.00
Date of Original Issue	December 29, 1972
Principal Payable Date	December 1
Interest Payable Dates	June 1 and December 1
Payable at	Durham Trust Company

	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
1972-----	\$-5,533.33	None-----
1973-----	5,533.33	Issued-6-Paid-Deer-29
1974-----	5,533.34	2,840.46-(11-months)
1975-----	5,533.33	2,877.33
1976-----	5,533.33	2,656.00
1977	5,533.34	2,434.67
1978	5,533.33	2,213.33
1979	5,533.33	1,992.00
1980	5,533.34	1,770.67
1981	5,533.33	1,549.33
1982	5,533.33	1,328.00
1983	5,533.34	1,106.67
1984	5,533.33	885.33
1985	5,533.33	664.00
1986	5,533.34	442.67
		221.33



Waste Water Treatment Facilities

The Waste Water facilities processed 263,704,000 gallons of effluent in 1976, for an average daily flow of 700,022 gallons. An estimated 26 tons of Chlorine Gas was added for disinfecting purposes.

The Grease Facility constructed in 1975 has been in operation one full year and has virtually solved the grease handling problem in the system. The mixing chamber has also improved the consistency of the filter cake coming over the coil filter.

Composting is still being conducted in a successful manner with an estimated 1,000 cubic yards of sludge produced from the plant. The planned Secondary Treatment Plant will have composting as the disposal method of the sludge and has been approved by the Environmental Protection Agency. The University, in conjunction with the Town, is experimenting with many different methods to utilize the composted material. These include potted flowers, turf, highway median strips, and gravel bank restoration, among others. It is felt that the compost can be a very viable product.

Treatment Plant maintenance has been conducted throughout the year at the Treatment Plant with no major repairs scheduled because of the anticipated construction of the new Secondary Treatment Plant. A pump cooling system was added to the Dover Road Pumping Station, thus eliminating large consumption of water needed previously to cool the pumps. Alarm systems for both the Oyster River Road and the Ritzman Lab Pumping Stations are scheduled for 1977. In recent years we have contracted for maintenance services on the generator, chlorine scales, and flow metering equipment. This service has worked out very well.

A major improvement was made in the Town Parking Lot - Jenkins Court area by the reconstruction work done. A new sewer line was laid, eliminating an old line which ran under the buildings. This old line was plagued by infiltration of "illegal" water. The Town has also applied for Federal Public Works Funds which would provide for restoration of the existing system in order to eliminate the infiltration which adds to the cost of treating of the total flow.

1977 will mark the end of Primary Treatment and the beginning of construction of an estimated 6.8 million dollar Secondary Treatment Plant which will treat the waste water to a far superior degree than is presently being done. It is worthy to note that such treatment is far more expensive, as are all quality programs that better the environment.

All residents of Durham are invited to visit the Waste Water facilities and discuss the operation with Mr. Duane Walker, who does a fine job operating this facility. Durham residents are also invited to view our composting project at any time and to use some of the composted material around their grounds.

Animal Warden

This year our dog population has decreased in Durham by fifty or sixty dogs. One reason for this decrease is that keeping a dog has more responsibility now than in past years.

Here are my thoughts on the reduction. First, food and shelter are much more expensive as is the cost of medical attention for animals. Another reason may be this Town's dog ordinance has been enforced for some five years, and most people are now restricting the activities of their dogs in accordance with the law. This may be why some residents no longer wish to keep dogs.

Mr. Robert Hollis III has been your Dog Officer for the last four months, and Mr. Michael Main has been hired to assist him on weekends and with emergencies. Mr. Hollis has been working with me for nearly two years, and he is very conscientious and dedicated to this area of his workload.

If one of these men has to contact you concerning a dog problem please understand that his job is to assist residents of the Town and in no way does he wish to create a situation.

I have one request -- before calling one of these men, be aware of what the dog ordinance is and whether these men can help you within the guidelines of the ordinance. When calling for assistance, please leave your name, address, and telephone number. This will enable the Dog Officer to reach you. Many times it is necessary, or at least helpful, for him to get back to you after he has spoken to the other party involved on the matter of the dog complaint.

Dogs have been known to cause bad feelings between neighbors that normally are good friends Don't let this happen to you.

Take care of your animals and have us assist you when we can.



Thank you.

Clyde B. Fogg, Jr.
Highway Supervisor

Bicentennial Committee

1976 was the year of fruition of plans for the Durham Bicentennial Committee, as it was for the other local committees, state and national organizations. 1976 was truly the Bicentennial Year and the Durham committee is proud to have participated.

The Durham Town Meeting provided funds for projects that we had planned. \$1,150.00 was spent for the Revolutionary Soldiers' plaque, which is to be attached, this spring, to the Soldiers' Monument at the Mill Road triangle. \$900.00 was also appropriated for other projects, still in progress.

The big event of the year was the Memorial Day parade. Two ceremonies were held, one at the Sullivan Monument on Newmarket Road, where the Time Capsule was buried, and the other a dedication of the Revolutionary plaque at the Soldiers' Monument, where Philip Wilcox, impersonating John Sullivan, gave the speech.

The preparation of the Time Capsule was a tremendous endeavor by Charlotte Kimball, chairwoman, and the other members of her committee, Helen Slanetz and Charles Clarke. Almost everyone in town was solicited for items to put in the capsule and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jenkins donated their Parsonage Gallery for a week-long exhibit of the items that will next be viewed in 2076.

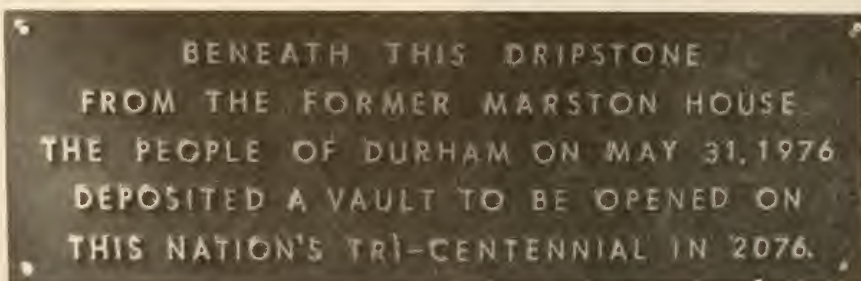
The Committee is proud of the Bicentennial projects of other Durham organizations, which were participated in by individual committee members, such as: the Silver Squares' quilt, the Durham Historic Association's teas and their publication of Durham In an Oystershell, written by Phil Wilcox.

This year, we are asking the Town for \$200.00 to design and make a Town flag. We also hope to complete our program of making markers for Durham's historic houses.

The Committee will continue to be in existence until August of 1977, when the State Committee plans to close its office.

The chairman wishes to thank the many members of the Committee, who faithfully attended the meetings and gave, cheerfully, so many hours of volunteer effort to its projects.

William Chamberlin
Chairman
BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE



Historic District Commission

This past year the Historic District Commission acted on five applications for Certificates of Approval for changes within the District. All applications were approved. The applications were for two additions, one demolition, and two signs.

There is now another marker in the Sullivan Monument area. It is a drip stone from the Joy-Marston house which stood in the lot now occupied by the Sunoco Station. The stone marks the spot where the Bicentennial-Tricentennial time capsule is buried. (Anyone wishing to see a drip stone in its original location should look to the left of the door of the Police Station.)

The Women's Club, in conjunction with the Bicentennial Committee, is planning to put markers on the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Century buildings in Town. The markers will show the approximate date of construction and the name of the first, or most illustrious, owner of the building, if known. It is hoped that these plaques will be ready to hang by late Spring. They will surely be an asset to the Historic District and to the Town.

For the Historic District Commission
Malcolm G. MacGregor, Chairman



Report of the Trust Funds of the City or Town ofDURHAM..... on December 31, 1976..

DATE OF CREATION	NAME OF TRUST FUND <small>List first those trusts invested in a common trust fund</small>	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED <small>Whether bank deposits, Stocks, bonds, etc. If common trust — So State</small>	0/0	PRINCIPAL						INCOME			
					Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Gains or (Losses) on Sale of Securities	Capital Gain Dividends	Balance End Year	Balance Beginning Year	INCOME DURING YEAR		Expended During Year	Balance End Year
											Percent	Amount		
1889	Anna Woodman	Cemetery Care	Common Trust Fund		1,200.00				1,200.00	182.16		120.95		303.11
1892	Sarah Griffiths/F.A. Joy	Cemetery Care	" "		1,800.00				1,800.00	128.17		165.34	51.40	242.11
1899	George W. Furness	Cemetery Care	" "		100.00				100.00	109.78		18.39		128.17
1903	Susan R. Wilson	Cemetery Care	" "		100.00				100.00	69.23		14.82		84.05
1907	Alice & Ella Hayes	Cemetery Care	" "		100.00				100.00	30.23		11.40		41.63
1911	Olive Wiggins	Cemetery Care	" "		100.00				100.00	59.32		13.93		73.25
1911	Abbie Mathes	Cemetery Care	" "		300.00				300.00	477.96		68.08		546.04
1914	Mary A. Burnham	Cemetery Care	" "		190.00				190.00	78.38		23.48		101.86
1916	Moses A. Woodman	Cemetery Care	" "		100.00				100.00	10.97		9.72		20.69
1932	Smith Town Improvement	Improvement	" "		5,000.00				5,000.00	3,445.26		682.68	644.00	3483.94
1953	Simpson/Drew/Goldsmith	Cemetery Care	" "		500.00				500.00	102.47		52.71		155.18
1957	Bickford Memorial	Research	" "		80.00				80.00	78.10		13.83		91.93
1962	Margaret D. Croghan	Cemetery Care	" "		500.00				500.00	70.60		49.96		120.56
1964	Capt. Edward Griffiths	Cemetery Care	" "		500.00				500.00	59.59		48.97		108.56
1970	Mathes Cemetery	Cemetery Care	" "		271.91				271.91	34.49		26.82		61.31
1970	Bunker Fund	Cemetery Care	" "		500.00				500.00	84.22		51.12		135.34
1973	John & Hattie Willie Stevens	Cemetery Care	" "		300.00				300.00	31.07		28.97		60.04
1973	Eva M. Brown/Myrtle F. Grant	Cemetery Care	" "		1,000.00				1,000.00	108.47		95.75	14.00	190.22
1973	Emerson/Meserve Fund	Cemetery Care	" "		100.00				100.00	12.92		9.90		22.82
1974	Sullivan Cemetery	Cemetery Care	" "		257.35				257.35	16.53		24.00		40.53
1974	Vella M. Smart	Cemetery Care	" "		300.00				300.00	22.04		28.19		50.23
1976	Twombly Fund	Cemetery Care	" "		100.00				100.00	-0-		8.74		8.74
			TOTALS		13,399.26				13,399.26	5,211.96		1,567.75	709.40	6,070.31

Report of the Trust Funds of the City or Town of on December 31, 19

DATE OF CREATION	NAME OF TRUST FUND List first three trusts invested in a common trust fund	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED Where Deposits, Stocks, Bonds, etc. (If common trust — So State)				PRINCIPAL					INCOME			
			0/0	Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Gains or (Losses) on Sale of Securities	Capital Dividends	Balance Beginning Year	INCOME DURING YEAR		Balance Beginning Year	INCOME DURING YEAR		Expenditures During Year	Balance Ending Year
									Percent	Amount		Percent	Amount		
	TRUST ACCOUNTS 100%	In common Trust Fund	19,469.57	13,399.26				13,399.26			5,211.96		1,567.75	709.40	6,070.31
1881	George Ffrost	Education	Bonds 2,800.00 C.T.F. 943.95	3,250.00				3,250.00			359.21		134.74		493.95
1909	Olinthus Doe	Care of Farm and Cemetery	Bonds 3,000.00 C.T.F. 4,176.90	4,586.44				4,586.44			1,985.00		784.07	178.61	2,590.46
1927	Town Cemetery	Cemetery Care	Bonds 5,033.75 C.T.F. 18,134.81	19,953.36	1,775.00	(495.00)		21,233.36			3,185.38		1,761.35	3,011.53	1,935.20
1963	Smith Chapel	Chapel Care	Bonds 5,056.25 C.T.F. 2,016.65	5,557.12	95.00			5,652.12			1,083.35		624.19	286.76	1,420.78
	Trust Accounts Partly in Common Trust Fund		Bonds 15,890.00 C.T.F. 25,272.31												
	TOTALS		Bonds 15,890.00 C.T.F. 44,741.88	46,746.18	1,870.00	(495.00)		48,121.18			11,824.90		4,872.10	4,186.30	12510.70
	CAPITAL RESERVE AND CONSTRUCTION FUNDS														
1953	Capital Reserve	Highway Dept.	Savings	1,347.44	5,000.00*			6,347.44			6,208.75		428.27		6,637.02
1953	Capital Reserve	Fire Department	Savings	5,837.94				5,837.94			2,298.21		529.79		2,828.00
1971	Capital Reserve	Incinerator	Savings	4,839.01				4,839.01			1,369.58		340.14		1,709.72
1972	Capital Reserve	Parks & Rec.	Savings	1,000.00				1,000.00			143.58		74.43		218.01
1953	Construction	Sewer Department	Savings	1,025.33				1,025.33			934.99		126.83		1,061.62
1964	Construction	Water Department	Savings	20,000.00				20,000.00			7,988.31		1,530.10		9,518.41
1967	Durham Conservation Comm.	Conservation	Savings	5,012.61				5,012.61			1,431.13		419.50		1,850.63
	TOTALS			39,062.33	5,000.00			44,062.33			20,374.55		3,448.86		23823.41
	GRAND TOTALS			85,808.51	6,870.00	(495.00)		92,183.51			32,199.45		8,320.86	4,186.30	36334.11
	*Check in transit 12/31/76														
	TOTALS														

Trustees of Trust Funds

The Smith Chapel was professionally cleaned in May, and it is expected that this will become an annual procedure. There were five weddings held, and already five have been scheduled for 1977. The fee for use has been increased to \$15.00. The stolen marble plaque beside the door was returned from Easton, Massachusetts.

The Town asked for a bicentennial donation from the trust funds for the restoration of Landing retaining walls, and \$2,000.00 was appropriated from the Smith Town Improvement Fund.

The Trustees provided \$100.00 to Trustee Wilcox for use in the restoration of untrusted graveyards, which has made possible improvement in several different areas. Through the use of "Manpower" labor, much more has been accomplished.

The Town Cemetery has benefited through several projects -- grading and graveling of all roadways; aerating, liming, fertilizing and seeding of all the used area; trimming nearly the entire boundary of scrub growth and the removal of the 1928 rusted posts and wire. With judicious use of some of our compost, this perimeter area can still be greatly improved. There have been 16 burials, 12 bodies and 4 ashes. A new cremains area has been established in the upper corner near the well, which was never included in the 1928 survey. There are now fifteen five-by-five foot plots, which will allow one to four cremains. These are being offered with the addition of concrete foundations for monuments and will be landscaped with evergreens in the spring. Because knowledge of complete cemetery procedure has been lacking to Town employees, a three-page instruction list has been placed in proper hands -- from sale of lot to removal of faded flowers.

In keeping with the valuable assistance of the State Forester, he has visited the Doe Farm lot and updated our future procedures and plans.

Again the Trustees have had a resignation, that of Bradley Wetherell in May. He moved to California. The Selectmen appointed Frederic C. Ober, a retiree with previous banking experience, who has ably filled the vacancy.

The key to the Hayes Tomb on Packers Falls Road has been returned from a Hayes descendant in Minnesota. It rests in the Historic Association Museum. This leaves only two tombs with no known access.

For the record, ten copies of the older Durham gravestone inscriptions have been printed. There are 840 marked stones and 240 unmarked included on the map. Dates include 1732 to 1920, found in 71 graveyards and tombs. While no Town funds have been used, this may be of interest. With one copy in the 2075 capsule, the others are in recognized genealogical research centers in New England, and microfilming has been done by the Church of Latter Day Saints in Utah. A copy is in Diamond Library.

The Oyster River Cooperative School District has used \$270.93 from the George Ffrost Alcohol and Drug Education Funds. This was expended for display material for their Health Fair, cabinet for materials, transportation to visit Odyssey House in Hampton, and for a sphygmomanometer.

Without the friendly cooperation of our Town employees, many of these accomplishments could not have occurred. Bless them all!

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Tree Warden

1976, our Bicentennial Year, proved to be a busy one for your Tree Warden. Even though I did not relieve Dr. James Conklin of his duties until May, many events happened in the ensuing seven months.

During May and June approximately 30 trees of different varieties were planted at needed locations around town. In time these now 7- to 8-foot trees will provide much needed shade on some of our roads. The planting was done in cooperation with the Highway Department. Unfortunately, we received some hot and dry weather immediately following planting, and some trees were adversely affected. Still, all in all, the program was well received by the property owners, and it is hoped that we can continue this program on a year-to-year basis.

The summer months brought on some construction of Garrison Avenue, which necessitated the removal of about six elm trees from the side of the road. However, this was in no way an environmental blow to that area as all of the trees that were cut showed symptoms of the dreaded Dutch Elm Disease. The wood from these trees was burned to help eliminate the beetles that carry the disease.

The fall months were dedicated to the tagging of all trees near the public roadways which were deemed dead and decaying and which posed a hazard to motorists. An agreement between the Town and the property owners was signed in each case so that the owner was made aware of the Town's intention to cut such trees. Also the Telephone Company and the Public Service Company were consulted any time a tree was near their power lines. This is a very time-consuming, yet necessary, process.

In October the Durham Boy Scouts collected some small evergreen trees from the Town Cemetery and Sullivan Monument area and replanted them around the new Housing for the Elderly. This project was also done with the cooperation of the Public Works Department.

Last but not least, may we all remember the many incidents surrounding the planting of a memorial maple tree on Old Landing Road to honor Mr. Philip Wilcox. Such a beginning I'm sure no other tree has had before.

Respectfully submitted,

Guy S. Hodgdon
Tree Warden

Conservation Commission

The year began with the completion and publication of the brochure, "Walking Durham." This index of Class VI roads and other areas of public access was available at the 1976 March Town Meeting sessions and at the polls for the November election. It is intended that all Durham households receive a copy. They are still available at the Town Office and extra copies may be purchased for fifty cents.

During the year, two dredge and fill requests were received and granted; one for a temporary logging bridge off Bay Road, and the other for fill and drainage necessary for the tennis courts on Fogg Drive. Such permission is necessary for any disturbance of the Town's designated "wetlands."

The first successful defense of our "Shoreline Conservation Zone" occurred early in the year, when a building variance was requested on an existing structure within the 50 foot zone.

The Commission sponsored project, supervised by Professor Paul Bishop, to determine the scale of pollution created by snow dumped from Durham streets into the Oyster River, is in its second year. An interim report indicates a potential problem from lead contamination and also from organics. Significant findings are expected after this winter's research.

A sub-committee of the Commission made an on-site inspection and report on the development proposed for the Willey property off Durham Point Road. We have recommended a conservation easement including the two ponds and surrounding wetlands. The Planning Board is negotiating this recommendation.

Much of the Commission's time was spent in preparing our long-range plans for the Planning Board, which is engaged in updating the Comprehensive Plan. Chief among the concerns expressed in our report were: 1) the preservation in the natural state of all marshlands and a portion of the central Durham Point area we call the "Crommett Creek Corridor," 2) the protection and access to the "Lamprey River Corridor," 3) retaining some open spaces within the developing "in-town" area.

In conjunction with this plan, a listing of funding sources was compiled with valuable assistance from UNH conservation students Ms. Thompson and Ms. Waldman, who worked with us during the fall.

Much of the last part of the year was devoted to negotiating a purchase of a forested area abutting the Colby Marsh and extending the Town's holdings in this key conservation area of the Crommett Creek Corridor. It is hoped that this will soon be finalized. Such purchases are a primary charge to and a major priority of the Conservation Commission.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
John Hatch, Chairman
Oliver P. Wallace
Richard Strout
Walter W. Cheney
Herbert Jackson
Dwight Ladd
Lawrence W. O'Connell



MARSHLAND OF THE CROMMETT CREEK CORRIDOR

Parks and Recreation Committee

This was a good year for Parks and Recreation in that all 1976 budgeted projects were completed on schedule as well as one unprogrammed project of significant importance to the Town. The Committee is particularly pleased with the excellent cooperation received from the Department of Public Works. The high standard of workmanship evidenced in the various construction projects is a tribute to the Department. The Selectmen were very helpful throughout the year and the Committee is most appreciative of their assistance.

The unprogrammed project involved restoration of the wall along the north side of the Oyster River between the dam and the Town Landing. We had the opportunity to obtain the services of Mr. Niemi for the project, prior to his retirement, as well as a generous grant from the Trustees of Trust Funds which defrayed the major portion of the cost. The balance of the cost was paid with monies realized from economies practiced elsewhere and by the use of federally funded "Manpower" labor. Restoration of the wall has significantly improved the appearance of the area along the river and will aid in control of erosion of the river bank. Our 1977 program will include restoration of the opposite wall.

Town Beautification:

In past years the Parks and Recreation Committee has programmed various beautification projects around Town and budgeted only labor costs. The Public Works Department budgeted for the cost of materials and use of equipment. Commencing with 1977, Parks and Recreation will budget for all costs of the Town Beautification Program; consequently our 1977 budget will be expanded to reflect these costs. The Committee is proud of the results achieved in the 1976 program, under the direction of George Crombie and Guy Hodgdon. Of particular note is the Bicentennial garden and fountain which prompted many favorable comments from Townspeople as well as visitors. Town Beautification will be a continuing program during 1977 and if funding is available we envisage dramatic improvements in the downtown area.

Jackson Landing:

Improvements to the Jackson Landing area during 1976 included the installation of new deck planks on the pier and construction of a stone jetty. In line with our continuing effort to clean up and improve our recreational areas the rip-rap which was obtained several years ago and piled in the area was used to construct the jetty. The jetty affords excellent protection during the launching and recovery of boats from the ramp and aids departure from and docking at the pier. We have included in our 1977 budget money for the repair of the boat ramp surface which over the years has broken up. Repairs will consist of a new black top and removal of rocks and rubble from the immediate area.

Town Landing (Old Shipyard):

A new dock and float were constructed at the Town Landing. The parking area was graded and perimeter poles installed.

Cedar Point Boat Ramp:

The Cedar Point boat ramp was completely rebuilt during 1976. Construction work included removal of large rocks and ledge, installation of retaining walls on each side of the ramp and laying a black top surface. Overgrowth in the adjacent area was cut and piles of rubble removed from

the old bridge abutment. Grading and seeding finished off the area and now instead of an eyesore it is a pleasant area.

Skating Rink:

A snow-blower and snow removal tools were purchased for the skating rink. We don't anticipate any large expenditures in the near term for the skating rink and accordingly have budgeted only labor and maintenance cost for 1977. The rink is a popular winter recreation facility and is fully utilized in season.

Tennis Courts:

Federal Bureau of Outdoor Recreation funds were received for construction of four tennis courts in the Woodridge subdivision. This project was approved by the townspeople during the 1974 Town Meeting. Extensive delays were experienced in wading through bureaucratic red tape until final approval was obtained for use of B.O.R. funds. In the interim, costs for construction, materials and services have escalated. For instance, the only bid received for land development nearly equalled the B.O.R. allocation and the town appropriation combined. The bid was not accepted and the Selectmen have resorted to a step-by-step course which involves rented equipment, etc. at appreciable savings which should permit construction of the courts as planned. Engineering has been accomplished and ground has been broken so with good luck the courts should be completed for the 1977 summer season.

Baseball Field:

We continue to explore all possibilities for building a baseball field in Durham. Obtaining suitable land for a field is the major stumbling block and is somewhat discouraging. If land can be obtained there is a strong possibility that Bureau of Outdoor Recreation funding can be used to defray major costs. We have high hopes of making a breakthrough this year and will welcome any support townspeople may offer.

Five-Year Plan:

The Committee has devised a plan for developing new parks and recreation facilities during the next five years. The plan envisages use of Town properties for the most part with major funding provided by the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation. The plan is not binding and has a measure of flexibility which permits revision and adjustment along the way.

Joseph F. Fleming, Chairman



Planning Board

The Planning Board met Wednesdays with those most closely touched by its activities. The general interest of the community was once represented by Boy Scout Troop #154 on a civics assignment and by occasional guests who came in from the cold.

Our main activities involved work on the update of Durham's Comprehensive Plan, a number of site review applications, one full subdivision, and several limited subdivisions. In the span of the past year the above activities have assisted some, harrassed some, and bored some. No threats to the Town appeared and the changes in land use which occurred seem orderly and reasonable.

The Planning Board has begun work on updating Durham's Comprehensive Plan. We have sought to develop a procedure and format that would involve the existing Town Boards and Committees in a coordinated series of "plans" kept up to date from year to year. The Planning Board has engaged the services of Mr. Robert Varney, an undergraduate student in Resource Economics. Under the guidance of Mr. Owen Durgin, Mr. Varney has completed an updated attitude survey of the Town. Significant among the survey's findings is the now prevalent attitude that the Town should encourage appropriate light industry to broaden its tax base. Taking this lead, the Planning Board has asked Mr. Varney to develop and present a study of the feasibility and cost-benefit analysis of light industry within the Town.

In addition to the survey results, the Planning Board and its Planning Assistant, Mr. David Littlefield, have worked with the Strafford Regional Planning Commission to develop a series of planning maps scaled approximately to match with maps of surrounding communities. Once completed this coming summer, the map system will be utilized to plot the final plans of involved Boards and Committees to facilitate organization, understanding, and communication.

The completion of an updated plan is at least a year away. Our goal of the yearly update should avoid having to play "catch-up" and should provide up-to-date planning information accessible to the citizens of Durham.

The administration of formal and informal applications for subdivisions and site reviews have occasionally taxed our agenda time during the year. Out of the number of applications, a number of issues developed which bear discussion. First, a number of applications were received or contemplated by businesses within our Business A Zone which sought to expand, renovate, or convert property for business use. A common stumbling block appeared when the number of required parking spaces as per the ordinance were either unavailable on site or were only marginally available. At the same time, the existing "off-street" parking lots were found very much underutilized. In response to this situation a subcommittee of the Planning Board met with representatives of the Board of Selectmen and the business community to draft a proposed ordinance change which reduced the required parking spaces to an extent covered by open spaces in the underutilized off-street parking lots.

Secondly, the subdivision application of Mr. David Linn provided the Town with an opportunity to gain an easement covering the right to skate on the two ponds off Durham Point Road near Pinecrest Lane. Many thanks are due to Mr. Linn and the Durham Conservation Commission, chaired by John Hatch, which cooperated in this venture.

The Planning Board requires the support of the Town to be effective.

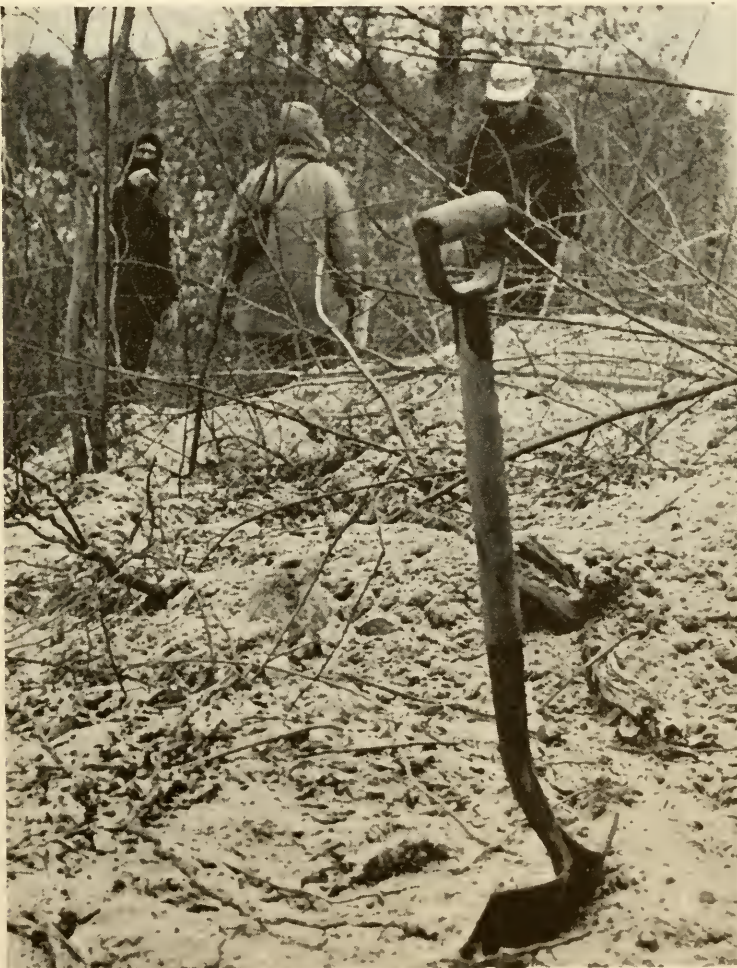
Unfortunately, the pace of planning activities is often slow with small changes producing trends which have extensive consequences. We have been fortunate to have the help of our Planning Assistant, Mr. David Littlefield, and the services of the skilled and patient Board members listed below.

Thanks are also due to the following employee and members who left the Board during the year.

Lucille Dawson - Clerk
Donald Melvin - Board Member
Robert Vreeland - Board Member
Owen Durgin - Selectmen's Representative

Current Planning Board Members:

M. Rae Borrer, Secretary
Charles Burley
Rebecca Frost
Maryanna Hatch, Selectmen's Representative
Anne Knight
Dwight Ladd
Stephen Roberts, Chairman
Carol Wilson, Clerk



Building Inspector

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
TOTAL PERMITS PROCESSED:	91	125
Denied:	<u>6</u>	<u>3</u>
Net Permits Granted:	85	122
BREAKDOWN:		
Residential Construction (new homes)	20	34
Residential Construction (Additions: porches, garages, apartments, family rooms, fences)	31	46
Residential Greenhouses	1	-0-
Communication Tower	1	-0-
Commercial Construction	18	15
Fire Escape	1	-0-
Swimming Pools	-0-	1
Signs	9	18
Tennis Courts	-0-	1
<u>Miscellaneous:</u>		
Driveways, Septic systems, Demolitions, etc.	<u>4</u>	<u>7</u>
TOTAL PERMITS ISSUED:	85	122

1975 Residential Construction total 20 single family units, and 37 apartment units.

Total new permit valuation, 1975: \$1,559,545.00

1976 Residential Construction total 34 single family units, and 6 apartment units.

Total new permit valuation, 1976: \$2,327,089.00

Sheldon Prescott
Durham Building Inspector

Newmarket Health Center

The Newmarket Health Center provides a Medical Out-Patient Clinic, free Preventive Screening Clinics, Outreach Services by Community Health Workers, a Senior Citizen Transportation Service to health facilities and social services and a free Information and Referral Service.

The staff includes a physician who is the Center's Medical Director and who oversees and upgrades all medical protocols, a Physician's Associate, a Registered Nurse, Community Health Workers, van drivers and administrative and clerical personnel.

In 1976 there were 785 visits to the Medical Clinic by Durham residents; the Center answered 375 queries from Durham with information and referrals; and the Senior Citizen Transportation Service provided 796 rides to the elderly of Durham. Of the total visits to the Medical Clinic in 1976 approximately 17% were by Durham residents, and overall, about 2,000 people in Durham were served by the Health Center. The Health Center is pleased to have served the people of Durham in these ways.

In 1976 approximately 25,000 people in the Seacoast Area were served by the Health Center's various services. Funding for these services is derived by a combination of patient fees, private donations and local funds which can be matched on a 3-to-1 basis by state and federal monies.

Current plans of the Health Center include providing Parenting Workshops, individual counseling services on an appointment basis, the expansion of the Information and Referral Service to encompass the entire Seacoast Area, a continuing effort to improve the Center's medical services, and expansion of the senior transportation service.

The Health Center is dedicated to providing care for the "whole person," meeting his social and medical needs in a "caring atmosphere."

Robert G. Peck
Executive Director
NEWMARKET HEALTH CENTER, INC.

Minutes of Town Meeting

The meeting was called to order March 2, 1976, at 8 a.m. at the Oyster River High School Cafeteria by Moderator Joseph Michael, who read Articles 1 through 13. It was moved by James Chamberlin, seconded by Malcolm Chase, that balloting on Articles 1 through 13 begin immediately, that the polls close at 7 p.m., and that action on Articles 14 through 34 be postponed until 7 p.m. March 3, 1976, at the Oyster River High School Gymnasium. All election officials having been sworn, the polls were declared open at 8:16 a.m., and the Moderator continued with the reading of the warrant.

The results of the balloting on Articles 1 through 13:

Article 1. (Town Officers)

Selectman	James C. Chamberlin	342
(To Choose Two)	Lawrence W. O'Connell	391
Trustee of Trust Funds	Philip A. Wilcox	409
Budget Committee	Charles F. Burley, Jr.	343
(To Choose Four)	Martha B. Burton	372
	William D. Clement	354
	Margaret J. Faulk	331
Budget Committee	Sarah P. Voll	393
(Two-Year Term)		
(To Choose One)		

<u>Article 2.</u> (Zoning)	YES 383	NO 63
<u>Article 3.</u> (Zoning)	YES 338	NO 99
<u>Article 4.</u> (Zoning)	YES 360	NO 83
<u>Article 5.</u> (Zoning)	YES 352	NO 87
<u>Article 6.</u> (Zoning)	YES 339	NO 96
<u>Article 7.</u> (Zoning)	YES 315	NO 114
<u>Article 8.</u> (Zoning)	YES 362	NO 68
<u>Article 9.</u> (Zoning)	YES 386	NO 52
<u>Article 10.</u> (Zoning)	YES 384	NO 48
<u>Article 11.</u> (Zoning)	YES 371	NO 69
<u>Article 12.</u> (Zoning)	YES 85	NO 349

<u>Article 13. (Zoning)</u>	YES	62	NO	329
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Total ballots cast: 454

Balloting was suspended at 7 p.m. and the meeting was recessed.

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. March 3, 1976, at the Oyster River High School Gymnasium by Moderator Michael. The Moderator then read the results of the town election and the list of people who had acted as ballot clerks and counters for the town election and the primary the preceeding week. Mr. Michael expressed the appreciation of the Town for the many hours given by these residents. The Moderator then announced that if the discussion of the remaining articles was not completed by 11 p.m., he would entertain a motion to recess the meeting to Saturday morning at 9 a.m.

The Moderator recognized Lawrence O'Connell, who read the following letter written to T. Ralph Meyers on his retirement from the Sewer Policy Committee:

Dear Ralph:

At our March 1, 1976 meeting, the Selectmen accepted your resignation from the Sewer Policy Committee. Of course, it was accepted with regret and thanks for your service.

Such action, however, does not begin to let you know our gratitude for your work, or of the high value which we have placed on your counsel. The hours which you have donated to the Town in the mapping of our water system have provided us with a necessary and important record of these Town facilities. Your work on the Sewer Policy Committee during the last twelve years has been the keystone of our efforts to cooperate with the University of New Hampshire in the operation of the system, and in the efforts to improve the system and to allocate its costs fairly.

Finally, all of your service to Durham has been offered with what I would like to call a gracious professionalism. You have listened well, reacted prudently, and influenced appropriately all those with whom you have worked. For the Selectmen and all those who work for the Town, you have provided an excellent example of citizen contribution to the community.

We thank you for all of this and we wish you good health and good spirit in your retirement from your Town obligations.

Cordially,

Lawrence W. O'Connell
Chairman
Board of Selectmen

Article 14. It was moved by Malcolm Chase, seconded, that the Town vote to approve of the inclusion of its officers and employees in the New Hampshire Retirement System of the State of New Hampshire, to be effective April 1, 1976. Mr. Chase said that the Selectmen have been working for some time to get a retirement system for the Town employees other than the Police and Fire Departments. Mr. Chase also said that legislative action now makes it possible for other Town employees to join the system, and the Board of Selectmen plan to use Revenue Sharing money to pay the contribution of the Town and the employee back to the time the employee came to work. The article was adopted.

Article 15. It was moved by Alden Winn, seconded, that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000 for the purpose of preparing plans, specifications, and construction of bikeways in the urban area of Durham on the condition that the Town qualifies in a demonstration project under the United States Department of Federal Highway Administration Bikeway Demonstration Program, and to authorize the Selectmen to negotiate such bonds or notes not to exceed the sum of \$45,000 for the Town's share of an eighty per cent Federal match to a twenty per cent State or Local match. Mr. Winn said that at last year's Town Meeting the Selectmen and Planning Board were instructed to make a study for a bikeway system in Town on new roads and on existing roads. A bikeway has been created on Edgewood Road. A citizens' committee has been helpful with the plan; they worked with the Public Works Department and had help from CAT (Citizens for Alternate Transportation). The Selectmen had planned to seek aid from the State and Federal governments for help in this project. About three weeks before Town Meeting it came to the attention of the Selectmen that Federal funds were available for a model bikeways system. Mr. Winn said that they had hoped to obtain a 50/50 match on funds, but this new program was a 20/80 match. A committee was set up to work out a plan that would qualify it for State support. There is now a State plan which is available. The Selectmen recommend that the Town appropriate the \$45,000 to guarantee participation in the plan if Durham qualifies. This is not the total contribution that the Town will have to make. It is about one half of the amount we would have to pay if we adopt a final plan. The \$45,000 would bring us \$180,000 in Federal funds.

Stephen Roberts, a member of the Planning Board, said that he felt this plan would serve the interests of the motorists as well as the bicycle operators. It would bring about improved drainage, wider roads, etc. It is a good value and a good investment for the Town as a whole.

Sheldon Prescott spoke against the article saying that this was an expensive luxury. It would push back the roads taking part of people's lawns, and more snow than before would be plowed onto lawns. Anne Knight spoke on behalf of the League of Women Voters in support of the article. The meeting allowed Mary Link, a nonresident, to speak. She said that \$1,500 had been raised in a bikeathon last year and this money would be given to the Town to go towards the 20% Town contribution. Hens Heilbronner spoke in favor of the article as a safety measure for the children in the community and as a saving in gasoline in transporting children to and from their recreational activities. Alexander MacLean asked if the paths would be plowed. Mr. Roberts said they would. After further discussion, Henry Davis, Chairman of the Budget Committee, said that there is no money included in the budget now for this item. If following the consideration of this article the money is approved

tonight, \$45,000 will have to be added to the expenditure and revenue side of the budget. It would not change the amount to be raised by taxes this year, as there would be no money spent for payment of principal or interest on the bonds or notes until a future year. Mr. Winn said they would be three to five year bonds. After more discussion, a vote was taken. The results were Yes: 162, No: 184. The motion was lost.

Article 16. It was moved by Alden Winn, seconded, that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for the purpose of engineering plans and specifications for bikeways in the Town that are under the Town's proposed bikeways system, on condition that the Town does not receive funds under the United States Department of Federal Highway Administration Bikeway Demonstration Program. Mr. Winn said that this article was to have been included in the warrant by the Selectmen before the information came to them as to the Federal Funds available in the previous article. Donna Pistole asked if since the University would be benefiting from the bikeways program, have they considered contributing any money toward the planning. Mr. Winn said that the schoolchildren of Durham, not the University students, would benefit from this study. After further discussion, the vote was taken, and the article was adopted.

Article 17. It was moved by Lawrence O'Connell, seconded, that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000.00 for the purpose of a Town-wide revaluation of all assessable properties during the calendar years 1976 and 1977, and authorize the Selectmen to issue short-term notes in the amount of \$25,000.00 for the completion of this project. Mr. O'Connell spoke to the article, explaining briefly the property tax system. He urged the adoption of the article even though the Budget Committee recommended that it not be adopted. Mr. O'Connell said that the State of New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration has informed us that the assessments in Town are at 62% of their fair market value. The last time we assessed was in 1968. Mr. O'Connell said that revaluation does not necessarily mean higher taxes for everyone; it depends on what budget we pass at this meeting which will determine the tax rate. The sum of \$20,000.00 would come from the Revenue Sharing funds to be used toward the \$25,000.00 requested in this article. After some discussion, a vote was taken. The results were Yes: 192, No: 157. The article was adopted.

Article 18. It was moved by Malcolm Chase, seconded, that Article 18 be amended as follows: Delete in its entirety Article 18 as written and substitute the following: "To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to proceed with Priorities Nos. II and III under the Urban Roads Program. These priorities as presented to the Town at the March, 1974, Town Meeting are: Priority II: Includes the completion of the Engineering Study now underway and the design preparatory to the reconstruction of the Downtown area involving improvements to pavements, sidewalks, lighting, landscaping, bikeways, and intersection improvements in the Main Street, Madbury Road, and Pettee Brook area. Priority III: The survey and design leading to improvements of the junction of Route 108 and Main Street at the Old Town Hall to include sidewalks, new drainage, bikeways, necessary lighting, improved service station entrances, and landscaping in the area extending to Coe's Corner. Before finalizing designs, proposed plans will be presented to the Townspeople in public hearings well in advance of any proposed construction."

Mr. Chase spoke to the article explaining the history of the Urban Roads Program. The warrant article as printed in the Town Report had to be submitted so that this subject could be discussed at the Town Meeting, but it is being amended by the substitution which deals with Main Street and the Town Hall area. The funds for this study are in the budget already. The Selectmen will be back before the Town Meeting when the study has been completed to request funds for the work. There was some discussion, following which the article was adopted.

Article 19. It was moved by Malcolm Chase, seconded, that Article 19 be passed over. The Chair ruled that Article 19 was passed over.

Article 20. It was moved by Margaret Bogle, seconded, that the Town undertake a community-wide project to test the feasibility of recycling and will direct the Selectmen to enact the necessary ordinances to carry out the items listed as A, B, and C in the article as printed in the Town Report. Mrs. Bogle spoke to the article and urged its passage. Allan Prince said that the Resource Recovery Center at the University needs more material to keep operating, and if the Town of Durham and other towns participate in this Center, it could be successful. At this point the Center is not recovering its costs. After further discussion, the article was adopted.

Article 21. It was moved by James Chamberlin, seconded, that the vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,200.00 for the purpose of preparing a bronze plaque with the names of the Revolutionary War soldiers from Durham. Said plaque would be installed on the unused side of the Mill Road monument. Mr. Chamberlin said that the Bicentennial Committee recommends that such a plaque be purchased and dedicated. The money will come from the Federal Revenue Sharing funds. After some discussion, the article was adopted.

Article 22. It was moved by L. Franklin Heald, seconded, that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue short-term notes in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00 for the purchase of an ambulance to be operated by the Durham Ambulance Corps, with repayment as follows: approximately one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of the amount from Federal Highway Safety Act funds on approval of request by application to the New Hampshire State Highway Safety Agency, and the balance of the purchase to be reimbursed by the Durham Ambulance Corps from income. Mr. Heald explained that the money for the purchase of the ambulance is listed on the expenditure side of the budget, but the money that will be received appears on the revenue side of the budget, so there is no effect on the tax rate. A vote in the affirmative will signal the approval of the program and enable the Durham Ambulance Corps to purchase a new vehicle. The article was adopted.

Article 23. It was moved by Owen Durgin, seconded, that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue short-term notes not to exceed \$20,000.00 for engineering and architectural studies for the construction of a Fire Station, and authorize the Selectmen to negotiate for all State, Federal or other monies appropriate to the construction of such a building. Mr. Durgin said there is a shortage of space for the presently-owned fire apparatus of the Durham-UNH Fire Department, and some of the equipment is housed somewhere else or on loan to another community. The expense of this article will be shared $\frac{1}{3}$ - $\frac{2}{3}$ between the Town and University, but the money must be voted in full by the Town for the article to be valid. Philip Wilcox asked if this would be just for a fire station. Mr. Durgin said that the ambulance would be housed there also. The article was adopted.

Article 24. It was moved by Malcolm Chase, seconded, that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for the purpose of preparing plans and specifications for facilities for the disposal of treated sludge which are requirements contained in the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended and will qualify the Town for Federal funds, such sum to be raised by the issuance of Serial Bonds or Notes not to exceed \$5,000 under and in compliance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act, and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take such other actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interests of the Town of Durham and to allow the Selectmen to expend such monies as become available from the Federal Government under the Financial Assistance Program of the Construction Grants section of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, and pass any vote relating thereto. Mr. Chase said that the \$5,000 is both the Town's share and the State's share of the money necessary for this project. The State will pay us back \$4,000 plus interest. Therefore, the project will only cost the Town \$1,000. The article was adopted.

Article 25. It was moved by Heather Cloitre, seconded, that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for mosquito control in the Town of Durham. Mrs. Cloitre moved to amend the article as follows: "We the undersigned legal voters of the Town of Durham, State of New Hampshire, hereby request that the Town Warrant include an article to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for labor, equipment, and materials necessary to conduct a mosquito breeding site survey in the Town of Durham. An ad hoc committee consisting of three legal voters of the Town shall be established by April 1, 1976. This committee shall be responsible for the initiation and conduct of the above breeding site survey and shall report their findings to the Board of Selectmen and citizens of the Town by September 15, 1976." Seconded. After some discussion, the vote was taken on the amendment, and the motion was lost. The vote was then taken on the original article, and it also was lost.

Article 26. It was moved by James Horrigan, seconded, that the Town adopt the provisions of RSA 72:62 for a property tax exemption on real property equipped with a solar energy heating or cooling system which exemption shall be in an amount equal to the cost of the solar energy heating or cooling system. Mr. Horrigan said that the law is not specific as to the amount of the exemption and would be taken one year at a time. Mr. Horrigan was asked if the exemption would be off the assessment or off the taxes. He said the solar system would not be assessed. Frederick Hochgraf moved to amend the article by changing the word "cost" to "value." Seconded. James Staigers moved to amend the article by adding the words "not to exceed \$2,000." The Staigers amendment was defeated, and then the Hochgraf amendment was defeated. The vote on the original article was as follows: Yes:153, No: 114. Motion passed.

Article 27. It was moved by Donald Melvin, seconded, that the Town appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00, such funds to be used by the Planning Board for the purpose of updating the Comprehensive Plan of Durham which was accepted by the Town in March, 1966. Mr. Melvin said that the plan was prepared 10 years ago and should be updated. The article was adopted.

As it was 10:50 p.m. and there were still several articles to be considered, it was moved by James Chamberlin, seconded, that the meeting recess until Saturday, March 6, 1976, at 9 a.m. at the Oyster River High School Gymnasium. The motion was passed and the meeting recessed.

The meeting was called to order at 9 a.m. March 6, 1976, at the Oyster River High School Gymnasium by Moderator Joseph Michael.

Article 28. It was moved by Owen Durgin, seconded, that Article 28 be postponed until after the debate and discussion on Article 29. Motion carried.

Article 29. It was moved by Henry Davis, seconded, that the Town vote to adopt the Budget for the period January 1, 1976, to December 31, 1976, as submitted by the Budget Committee in the amount of one million, one hundred sixty-five thousand, seven hundred thirty-seven dollars and thirty-five cents (\$1,165,737.35) and to raise by taxes the sum of four hundred forty-four thousand, four hundred fifty dollars and nine cents (\$444,450.09), for the purposes thereof. Mr. Davis moved to amend the article by adding to the budget the deficit figure of \$26,444.93. Seconded. Mr. Davis said that this figure was not available at the time the warrant was prepared. Motion carried.

It was moved by Owen Durgin, seconded, that the article be amended in the section concerning the Fire Department by changing \$208,467.38 to \$215,602.38, which will change the \$69,489.13 to \$71,148.79 (see page W-15). Mr. Durgin said that these increased would be distributed through the budget as follows: \$2,000 for supplies and maintenance; \$2,135 personnel supplies and equipment; (new item) Miscellaneous relating to contract wages - \$3,000. Mr. Durgin said that the budget has already been reduced by approximately \$50,000 from the original Fire Department request, and the Town is finding it difficult to play catch-up in an inflationary time. The increase in supplies and maintenance would match what was spent in the last year; the \$3,000 represents use of specialized equipment; and the wages cannot be covered from the usual personnel figure.

Norman Stiles said that the \$13,770 originally requested has been cut by \$2,000 in the proposed budget. We spent \$13,000 last year in repair and maintenance on the vehicles. He urged the amendment be adopted. Irene Fleming spoke for the Budget Committee and explained why the Committee made the cuts they did. Allan Prince, speaking both as a resident and a representative of the University, said that the University budget has been established for the period July 1, 1975, to June 30, 1976, and there is not enough money in that budget for the 2/3 share of the present Town proposed budget, never mind any increases. Mr. Prince moved to add to Mr. Durgin's motion the words "subject to the availability of funds for the University's 2/3 share." Seconded. Mrs. Fleming said that the proposed budget is already 16% higher than the last year. A vote was taken and the amendment was defeated.

It was moved by James Chamberlin, seconded, that the Police Department section of the budget be amended by increasing the \$181,530.53 by \$2,592.63 to \$184,123.16. Mr. Chamberlin said that the Police Department had originally requested two additional men in their budget, and the Budget Committee had cut that to one additional man. After a great deal of discussion, the amendment was defeated.

Lawrence O'Connell moved, and it was seconded, that we add \$2,500 to the Public Works Department budget for the purchase of a radio system. Mr. O'Connell said that this money would not add personnel and would not add to the retirement contributions, etc. He said the radios would help the public works crew perform their jobs better. Sarah Voll, a member of the Budget Committee, said that this was the only item cut from the Public Works Department budget, and the cuts were made because once this purchase was made there would be requests for additional expansion and then repair and replacements costs. The amendment was passed.

It was then moved by Henry Davis, seconded, that Article 29 be adopted as amended with a budget in the amount of \$1,248,815.28, with \$534,369.26 to be raised in taxes. The article was adopted.

Vincent Todd, who voted against the adoption of Article 15 on Wednesday night, said he had been told that further information has been received that would change his mind on the article. Mr. Todd then moved to reconsider Article 15. It was seconded by Donald Murray. The Moderator read a statement explaining his position, and he ruled that the motion to reconsider is valid.

Cicely Buckley said that there were four points that she felt information could be disclosed on: (1) Degree of citizen participation in the engineering and implementation of the program; (2) Consideration of pedestrian and motor traffic being taken into account; (3) Federal guidelines as to Durham's particular needs, such as trees and places of beauty; (4) Nature of physical changes and their effects on the people of Durham, such as whether the firming up of shoulders will be an advantage rather than an esthetic disadvantage.

Katie Wheeler said that while it may be legal to reconsider this article at the Saturday session of the meeting, she did not feel it was proper, as many people thought that article had been disposed of and were not in attendance at the meeting. After more discussion, it was moved by Joseph Murdoch, seconded, that the motion to reconsider be tabled. The Moderator said that a motion to table was not debatable. The Moderator then allowed several people to speak under personal privilege. Lydia Willits asked how a special town meeting could be arranged, since the deadline for participation in the Federal program was March 30. Mr. O'Connell said that the Selectmen would have to petition the Superior Court for a special meeting if the meeting wanted to raise any money. A vote was then taken on the motion to table, and the results were: Yes 131, No 91. Motion to table carried.

Article 28. It was moved by Lawrence O'Connell, seconded, that the Town authorize the Selectmen to receive and deposit in the Federal Revenue Sharing Fund, Federal revenues allocated to the Town by the Federal Government, and to authorize withdrawal from this fund for budgeted appropriations the approximate amounts for the purposes listed in this article in the Town Report. The Selectmen requested a five-minute recess so they could discuss this article. Following the recess, the vote was taken and the article was adopted.

Article 30. It was moved by James Chamberlin, seconded, that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of approximately \$146,757.00 to defray its share of the cost of Strafford County government. Motion carried.

Article 31. It was moved by Lawrence O'Connell, seconded, that the town vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell and transfer the tax lien and/or title to real estate acquired by the Town at a tax collector's sale. Motion carried.

Article 32. It was moved by Alden Winn, seconded, that the Town authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes by issuing short term notes. Motion carried, and the article was adopted.

Article 33. It was moved by Malcolm Chase, seconded, that the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, negotiate, and do all other things necessary to obtain such Federal, State or other assistance as may be available for public works or other projects. Motion carried.

Article 34. The Moderator said that Henry Davis was retiring as chairman of the Budget Committee, and he expressed his appreciation for the support and help Mr. Davis has given to the Town over the years. The Moderator then entertained a motion, which was seconded, and carried, for a rising vote of thanks for Mr. Davis. In response to the applause, Mr. Davis said that he had enjoyed his years of working as a Town Officer, both as Selectman and a member of the Budget Committee. He thanked the Committee for the help they had given him through the year.

It was moved by Donald Murray, seconded, and carried, that the Moderator be commended for his fair and judicial handling of this meeting, There was a round of applause for the Moderator.

It was moved by Jacqueline Straus, seconded, that the Planning Board be required to explain the pros and cons of all articles which require a ballot vote, and that the statement be in writing and available to the voters at the polls. Mrs. Straus said she was unable to attend all the Planning Board hearings, and she felt this material should be available to the voters. Alden Winn, Selectmen's representative to the Planning Board, said that the two public hearings were held as required by law, and the first hearing was very well attended. The second hearing was attended by one newspaper reporter. He said it would be a tremendous job to prepare the material Mrs. Straus is asking for; many days of work would be required to prepare such a piece of information. Donald Melvin, Chairman of the Planning Board, said that at least one member of the Planning Board was available all day at the polls on Tuesday to answer questions the voters might have.

Hans Heilbronner moved to add the words "at the discretion of the members of the Planning Board" to Mrs. Straus' motion. Seconded. Mrs. Straus spoke against the amendment. A vote was then taken, and the amendment was defeated. Darrett Rutman moved to change the words "pros and cons" to "the effect of." Seconded. Mrs. Straus agreed to the change, and the amendment was passed. The motion was then adopted as amended.

It was moved by Cicely Buckley that this town meeting be continued to Wednesday, March 31, 1976, at 7:30 p.m. at the Oyster River Gymnasium for the purpose of withdrawing from the table the motion to reconsider the bikeways project and, if appropriate, to proceed with the discussion of the matter. Seconded. Dwight Ladd asked if any articles that had already been voted on could be reconsidered if the meeting were to continue. Mr. Michael said any article could be reconsidered.

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Mr. Ladd said that we would be establishing a precedent in that at any second or third session of the meeting any business already completed could be reconsidered by a totally different group of people.

Mr. O'Connell, speaking for the Board of Selectmen, said that if it was the wish of the meeting to continue the discussion of the bikeways project, it might be in the best interests of the town to do so in a special town meeting rather than continue the present meeting any further. This would at least end the present meeting. Mrs. Buckley said that she wished to withdraw her motion to continue the meeting; Mrs. Willits, who had seconded the motion, was in agreement, and the motion was withdrawn.

It was moved by John Harrison, seconded, that the voters by this motion note that the Budget Committee did not comply with a motion made, seconded, and passed at the March 5, 1974, town meeting which instructed their chairman to have copies of the budget and an explanatory letter available at the town hall one week prior to the budget hearing; this motion also reaffirms the importance of the matter and the expectation of compliance in the future. Alden Winn said that some information becomes available to the Committee very late and the legal time for the hearing comes upon you rather quickly. This year it was not possible to comply with the motion adopted in 1974. The vote was taken, and the motion was lost.

It was moved by Lydia Willits, seconded, that a special meeting be called as soon as possible at the discretion of the Selectmen to consider the Durham bikeways program. The motion was passed.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m.



Town Clerk

Minutes of Special Town Meeting

The meeting was called to order May 4, 1976, at 7 p.m. at the Oyster River High School Gymnasium by Moderator Joseph Michael, who read the warrant for the meeting. Mr. Michael refreshed our memories as to the events which occurred at the Town Meeting in March concerning bikeways, the subject of this meeting.

Mr. Michael read the petition of the Board of Selectmen requesting a special town meeting and the court order granting permission for such a meeting. The Moderator then read a petition he had received signed by 10 residents of the Town asking that the meeting be adjourned if less than one half of the people on the checklist were not present. Mr. Michael said the petition had no validity.

Following this, Mr. Michael read the notice of the public hearing held by the Budget Committee as required by law, and a letter written to him from the Budget Committee stating that the Committee had voted to disapprove the request for funds made in tonight's warrant article. They had then posted the budget for "\$0" before their hearing as prescribed by law.

The Moderator also read from some of the pertinent data prepared by several interested groups and delivered to him prior to the meeting. R.S.A. 32:9 states that no appropriation can be made at a special meeting without approval of the Budget Committee, and the meeting may not increase the amount of the budget by more than 10%.

Before proceeding further, Mr. Michael noted the fact that Daniel Ninde, one of the Supervisors of the Checklist and someone regularly in attendance at Town Meetings, was absent due to illness. Mr. Michael asked the Town Clerk to write to Dan telling him that the Meeting had recognized his absence and missed him, and we send him and his wife our best wishes.

Sharon Ossenbruggen spoke for BIG (Bicycle Information Group). She said they had been studying bikeways for the last two months, and they were very sorry that the article could not be voted on tonight because of the disapproval of the budget. They hoped the Town would make plans for bikeways at future meetings.

Lydia Willits, who had made the motion in March asking for a special town meeting, asked if the Budget Committee was in order in not making a recommendation on the warrant article. Irene Fleming, Chairman of the Budget Committee, read a statement explaining the information they had obtained from a visit to the Department of Revenue Administration in Concord. It was based on this information that the Committee considered the article, and after disapproving it, posted the \$0 budget. Mrs. Fleming also said she was disturbed to hear people say that the Committee should have approved the budget just so it could come before the meeting, even though the Committee did not really want to approve it. She said the members of the Committee, having been sworn into office, would have been derelict in their duties if they had not voted on the budget as they truly believed they should.

Lawrence O'Connell said that at the March Town Meeting he had recommended the meeting end rather than have it recess until a later date to discuss the bikeways question. However, he did not realize at the time that a problem would arise with the budget. He felt the voters' power had been usurped by the Budget Committee because the meeting could not vote on the budget.

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Sheldon Prescott said he understood there was money in the budget for a bikepath on the Newmarket Road. He also said he was concerned as Building Inspector that to build bikepaths the Town may have to take part of people's lawns, thus making some of the house lots nonconforming according to the Zoning Ordinance. This would affect the sale of some houses.

Henry Davis said he was puzzled because he could not determine what the new information was that had become known since the March Town Meeting which would affect the vote on bikepaths. Richard Morrison said he was the recipient of paid legal advice concerning R.S.A. 32:9, which the Budget Committee quoted as requiring a new budget for this special meeting. His advice was that R.S.A. 32:9 dealt with budget items not previously considered at a Town Meeting. Since we had considered this budget item at the March Town Meeting, he felt we could vote on that item at the special meeting. Daniel Bergeron said the new information received was the Federal Guidelines. These were discussed at the public hearing held by the Selectmen.

Sharon Meeker said she had originally voted against the bikeways article, but she has now changed her mind. She said the demonstration program would have corrected drainage problems, shored up road shoulders, created sidewalks, and the Town could have written its own ticket because of the flexibility and innovation allowed in the guidelines. She urged people to vote in favor of the plan.

After several more people expressed disappointment that they might not be allowed to vote on this article because the money was not approved by the Budget Committee, Mr. Michael said it was his intention that the matter come to a vote. If the plan was approved, and someone wanted to test the position of the Budget Committee in the courts, it would be up to them to do so.

Cicely Buckley said that at last night's Selectmen's meeting a check was presented to the Board for \$2,100, which was raised by high school and junior high school students to go towards bikeways construction. Arthur Borrer asked if there was money in the budget for bikeways on Newmarket Road. Malcolm Chase, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, said the Town had no money for improving a State road such as Newmarket Road. However, he did say he knew that the State plans to do work as far as the Oyster River Bridge.

It was moved by Stephen Roberts, seconded, that the article be adopted. Mr. Roberts said he sees a growing interest in bikepaths in Durham, and he urged an affirmative vote on the article. After further discussion, it was moved and seconded that the question come to a vote; motion carried.

It was moved by Owen Durgin that the meeting be adjourned when the last ballot has been cast. Seconded; motion carried. Voting then began and 203 ballots were cast. The results were: Yes 92, No 111. The article was defeated.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Linda L. Eklund

Town Clerk



Durham Public Library

When the Durham Social Library was incorporated as the Durham Library Association, in 1893, and later contracted with the Town to provide public library service, some 3,500 volumes were consolidated in this small structure on Main Street. Thanks to money that had accumulated over a number of years from Ben Thompson's hay crops, Durham's public library had, in addition to purchasing this building, been able to establish a small endowment fund for the purchase of books. At the time, Durham's collection was almost equal to that of the young college down the road, and students were permitted to use the Town library to supplement their, then, limited resources.

Within a few years, however, both the college and the Town libraries were cramped for space and eager for expansion. President Gibbs opened negotiations to arrange for a merger of the libraries in Durham, and an agreement was reached that the books were to be combined in one library serving the Town and the college on an equal basis. Seventy years ago this June, the Hamilton Smith Library (named for a wealthy Durham benefactor) was dedicated. The Board of Trustees of the college was given the responsibility for control and management of this library, and Durham's Miss Charlotte Thompson was appointed assistant librarian.

"Aunt Lottie" Thompson's regard and affection for the students for more than two decades is legend. Today, the children's room in the Dimond Library on the University Campus is named in her memory and it appropriately serves as the focus of the Town's participation. However, with academic growth obviously more than "equal" in this newest library facility, some townspeople may not know that the two community librarians are there to serve the adults as well as the children of Durham. Your suggestions and inquiries are welcome -- call Jeanne Sawyer or Marge Chasteen at 862-2747. They want you to remember that the library exists for you.

CHARLOTTE THOMPSON ROOM, BROWSING ROOM

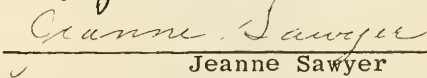
Changing patterns of use in 1976 have prompted some revisions in program emphasis. We have added a series of after-school story sessions for 5- to 7-year-olds and eliminated one morning series for 3-to-5's, finishing the year with a total (52 sessions) slightly higher than in 1975. We had 14 different children's film programs, most of them requiring multiple showings to accommodate overflow audiences. Our Halloween and Christmas film specials were very well received and the Christmas story sessions were quietly successful, too. "Summerfling" in July featured story times, film programs and making-and-doing afternoons that culminated in a circus planned and produced largely by the children themselves and performed in the Forum Room. We celebrated Children's Book Week in November by sponsoring a rehearsal performance of the Little Red Wagon players before a delighted capacity audience.

In 1976 we hosted story-telling programs for high school child development classes from as far away as Wolfeboro, and provided programs and tours for many elementary school and nursery school groups in or near the Seacoast area. We have continued our active cooperation with Oyster River District teachers and librarians. A letter sent to local teachers and nearby groups who frequently visit the Library has resulted in some improvement in scheduling these visits.

We have tentatively expanded our services to the community as a whole by offering adult film programs and by exploring possibilities for extension service to senior citizens, but limited funds preclude any major improvements at this time. We hope to promote active community volunteer service to help compensate for budget deficiencies. We will begin a lease-book plan soon which will allow us to offer current popular adult books more promptly; this may help minimize the persistent problem of delays in ordering books because of computer difficulties.

Flexibility helped us survive a year of rapidly inflating costs without curtailing services or markedly reducing efficiency. We hope that increased funding can be found to allow more positive improvement in 1977.


Margaret Chasteen


Jeanne Sawyer

Community Service Librarians

Durham Public Library

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
Volumes in University Library	715,787	719,318
Number of Periodicals	5,530	5,605
DURHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY		
Children's Books Added	664	386
Youth Books Added	250	171
Adult Books Added	211	165
Discards	-190	-317
	<u>14,584</u>	<u>15,259</u>
<u>Circulation</u>		
Children's Books	28,663	27,815
Youth Books	5,210	4,914
Total	<u>33,873</u>	<u>32,729</u>
<u>Registration</u>		
Resident Adults	872	1,215
ORSD Children	823	958
	<u>1,695</u>	<u>2,173</u>

Donald E. Vincent
Donald E. Vincent, Librarian

Children's Department



Circus Day at the Library

Oyster River Home Health Association

The Oyster River Home Health Association, incorporated in 1967, is the Visiting Nurse Association serving the towns of Durham, Lee, Madbury, and Newmarket. The Agency is staffed by an administrative nurse, one full time nurse, three part time nurses, a physical therapist and a part time bookkeeper-secretary. Its governing Board of twenty directors is made up of five members from each of the four towns. Standing committees of the Board include qualified representatives from related professional fields.

Patients are referred to the ORHHA by physicians, hospitals, families, and other agencies. A 1976 contract with the Exeter VNA Discharge Planner facilitates referrals from the Exeter Hospital. Similar programs are being worked out with other area hospitals. The working day is 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Requests for visits or medical questions are best phoned in before 9:30 a.m.

In addition to skilled nursing service and therapy visits to patients in their homes, the ORHHA has contracts to continue these programs: Maternal and Child Health, Aftercare, Communicable Disease Control, Family Planning and Dental Screening.

Under the Maternal and Child Health Program, the Child Health Conference, held the third Monday of each month at the Newmarket Fire Station, serves the pre-school children of the four towns who meet certain eligibility requirements. Dr. JoAnna Munger of the Exeter Clinic is the pediatrician for the Conference. She is assisted by Mrs. Judy Halli-sey, Pediatric Nurse Practitioner who provides additional follow-up for those children and mothers needing this service. The Maternal and Child Health contract also provides that the ORHHA nurses make a free visit to each new baby in the four town area.

The Dental Screening Program is held twice a year for all children between the ages of three and six who are enrolled in the Child Health Conference Clinic. Children who are in need of additional dental work are referred to local dentists.

The State Public Health Department Bureau of Communicable Disease Control refers T.B. patients to the ORHHA for follow-up. Most of these visits are monthly visits. Tine testing is also done in households where T.B. may be present.

The Aftercare Program involves visiting patients referred to the ORHHA after they have been discharged from the State Hospital. It also involves regular conferences with specialists in reviewing cases. Although this year funds for this program have been diverted elsewhere, the ORHHA continues to service all referred patients.

Under the Dover Pre-Natal and Family Planning Contract expectant mothers in the Durham, Lee, Madbury area are referred to the ORHHA for pre-natal assistance as well as post-partum and new born visits.

In addition to the above contractual services, the ORHHA this year held a four-in-one screening clinic for glaucoma, diabetes, oral cancer, and high blood pressure. Some 400+ residents of the four towns were tested. Results of the testing were sent to the State Public Health Department for analysis. Follow-up was done by the State and ORHHA nurses.

The ORHHA nurses also provide assistance to the Newmarket Day Care Center and the Little People's Day Care Center in Durham as well as assistance with the Newmarket and Oyster River Pre-School Hearing and Vision Testing programs, the Oyster River School Health Fair and other community services. They also participate with the State Public Health nurse and local school nurses when assistance is needed in the public schools, i.e. for the screening and follow-up of head lice.

With the assistance of more than a hundred volunteers and at the request of the State Department of Public Health, which supplied the injector teams, the Swine Flu Innoculation Program was administered by the ORHHA at two locations - Durham and Newmarket - for resi-

dents of the four towns during the latter part of October. ORHHA nurses also assisted at the Swine Flu Clinic for first graders in the public schools in December. More than 2,000 individuals received the vaccine.

Nurses and staff of the ORHHA maintain their professional competence through In-service Education conferences and meetings designed to make the Association better able to serve the four communities.

Financial support for the Oyster River Home Health Association comes from tax deductible contributions of individuals and organizations, memorial gifts, memberships, nursing fees, and funds voted by the four towns. In addition, grants are received from the State and Federal governments for specific programs for defined periods of time. Continued support from the four towns at the 1977 Town Meetings is anticipated.

NURSING STAFF

Administrative Nurse: Mrs. Linda Gill, RN
Full Time Nurse: Mrs. Janet Guernsey, RN
Part Time Nurses: Mrs. Suzann Griffith, RN
Mrs. Brenda Jackson, RN
Mrs. Karen Mullaney, RN
Physical Therapist: Mrs. Lillian Charron, RPT
Bookkeeper-Secretary:

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

President: William L. Prince
Vice-President: Mrs. Roy E. Kent
Secretary: Mrs. Frederick E. Drew, Jr.
Treasurer: Dr. Everett B. Sackett
Member-at-Large: Mrs. Eleanore D. Evans

STATISTICS JULY 1, 1975 - JUNE 30, 1976

TOWN	DISEASE CONTROL VISITS	DISEASE INTERVENTION VISITS	DISEASE PREVENTION VISITS	PHYSICAL THERAPIST VISITS	TOTALS	% OF TOTAL VISITS ACTUALLY MADE	PTS. NOT FOUND
Durham	622	40	40	244	946	34.5	30
Lee	150	38	25	107	320	11.6	16
Madbury	41	10	11	7	69	2.6	1
Newmarket	818	110	104	374	1,406	51.3	67
	1,631	198	180	732	2,741	100.0	114

The above totals of 2,009 skilled nursing visits and 732 physical therapy visits covered patients ranging from birth to over 90 years of age. Seventy per cent of all visits are to patients over 65. A total of 6,318 3/4 working hours were spent by the nurses and physical therapist on the job. Of this time 79.5% was spent visiting patients, recording charts, and conferences and phone calls with physicians regarding these patients; the remaining 20.5% was devoted to clinics, community projects, staff development and in-service education.

Complete statistics on all patients are kept by the ORHHA as a requirement of the State of New Hampshire. They are submitted bi-annually to the State which then compiles an annual master report from all visiting nurse agencies throughout New Hampshire.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>ACTUAL 74-75</u>	<u>ACTUAL 75-76</u>	<u>BUDGET 76-77</u>
Patient Services	\$18,041.55	\$22,558.10	\$23,266.00
Town Grants	7,550.00	6,125.00	10,120.00
Federal, State and Other Grants	3,896.00	4,750.00	3,357.00
Donations and Memberships	2,225.10	1,577.00	5,732.00
Interest & Miscellaneous	788.38	785.89	800.00
	<u>\$32,501.03</u>	<u>\$35,795.99</u>	<u>\$43,275.00</u>

<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u> <u>74-75</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u> <u>75-76</u>	<u>BUDGET</u> <u>76-77</u>
Salaries	\$24,751.28	\$32,962.99	\$35,000.00
FICA Taxes	1,447.57	1,916.00	2,050.00
Travel (Mileage)	1,403.02	1,709.69	1,750.00
Legal and Accounting	75.00	100.00	250.00
Insurance	311.11	484.66	1,500.00
Operating Expense	2,163.91	2,844.61	2,675.00
Miscellaneous	--	21.90	50.00
	<u>\$30,151.89</u>	<u>\$40,039.85</u>	<u>\$43,275.00</u>

The operating loss for 1975-76 resulted from nursing visit costs being higher than nursing visit charges plus a decrease in State and Federal funds. As of now anticipated income 1976-77 is expected to maintain a balanced budget.

Strafford Regional Planning Commission

The Strafford Regional Planning Commission is an organization serving communities in the Strafford Region, which includes all of the county plus Newmarket and Nottingham. Communities have joined together to 1) mutually solve regional problems such as growth and development and solid waste management, 2) receive direct local assistance for municipal needs, and 3) receive federal and state grants to carry out these services.

The commission, now in its eighth year, is one of three regional planning commissions that comprise the Strafford Rockingham Regional Council. Since 1968 the commission has grown from three to nine member communities.

One of the requirements of receiving federal grants is that the planning commission evaluate proposals and applications for projects within the Strafford Region which involve federal funds. Proposals for waste treatment systems mandated by EPA are an example. Review of the Local Public Works applications is another.

During the past year the commission worked with member towns to solve common problems through mutual cooperation. The various regional programs undertaken by the commission provide information and guidelines for making decisions on both the local and regional level.

Projects for 1976 included:

- The completion of a land capability analysis for the central portion of the region as a companion to the study completed last year for the southern portion of the region.
- Refinement of coastal zone studies. The towns in our region involved in this work include Rollinsford, Dover, Madbury, Durham, and Newmarket.
- The completion of a regional solid waste management study as a basis for solving the problem of solid waste disposal through mutual cooperation of the member towns.
- The completion of a transit development plan for the southern portion of the region. This study provides guidelines for development of a mass transit system in the area.
- Publication of a revised open space study with specific proposals for how to secure such land in a rapidly growing region such as ours.
- Participation in a council-wide emergency medical services planning study completed in the fall.
- Initiation of an economic base study and regional economic development plan. Upon completion of such studies the member towns may be eligible for federal grants for economic development.

The Strafford Regional Planning Commission provided a variety of technical and planning services to member communities during 1976. The commission provided every planning board member with a loose-leaf planning board notebook that includes state planning enabling legislation, a master plan process outline, and subdivision review guidelines.

Assistance to the Town of Durham included:

- Publishing a final bikeway study for the town.
- Completing a town base map for the planning board which will be used for an inventory of the town's natural and municipal resources.
- Assisting town in the preparation of an application for local public works funding.

Rebecca B. W. Frost
Nelson L. Le Ray
George W. Shaw
Durham Representatives, Strafford
Regional Planning Commission



Report on the Durham Swans

Our Bicentennial Year challenged Hamilton and Agatha, the pair of free-flying mute swans that make Durham their nesting home. The two big white birds followed their old custom by settling on North Mill Pond, Portsmouth, for the winter months. But on January 9, construction workers drained that area of tidewater, inducing the swans to move. Probably they shifted without delay to the cove near Pierce Island, close to Newcastle Avenue and Sanders Lobster Pound on Pray Street for the swans are well acquainted with most of the Portsmouth coastline. Garland W. Patch telephoned on January 14 to report the new location of the two birds. Some of the girls at Normandeau Associates on Pickering Street called to inquire what swans eat, and offered to share their lunch sandwiches with Hamilton and Agatha.

By February 1, the swans moved to the vicinity of Clough Drive, to the delight of the pupils at Little Harbor School. Yet there too the combination of suitable food and shelter proved unsatisfactory. By Valentine's Day the two birds headed back toward Durham; both Muriel Bourque and Harold Knight telephoned to report Hamilton and Agatha near the bridge at Cedar Point. On the morning of February 16 the swans swam past River-view Road, and by late afternoon floated close to Bunker Creek. On the 19th they were near Francis Robinson's dock, and late on the 21st in the outflow of the Oyster River near Phil Wilcox's home on Old Landing Road. This was fully ten days ahead of schedule, for Town Meeting was not called until March 2, 3. No one felt surprise when more cold weather and new ice repelled the birds as far as Jackson Landing. Unfavorable conditions kept the two downstream, although they were obviously willing to return to the mill pond.

Hamilton and Agatha did settle on the frozen pond before noon on March 9, where both Minnie May Murray and Howard Forrest reported them. The swans tried again on March 14, and even snuggled together into their nest site amid the alders for a short time. Then back to the estuary they flew, coming regularly three times each day into the outflow of Beard's Creek close to the Dover Road, where Betty Holland offered them food without fail. Only once, on March 20, did the birds clamber ashore. That event provided great satisfaction to Gertie Reardon, who had been watching them from Old Landing Road. Hamilton and Agatha nibbled at some shoreline grass and dabbled in meltwater pools before sliding down again into the estuary.

Just as in 1975, the arrival of spring coincided with the arrival of the swans in the first open water offered by the mill pond. The birds reinspected their nest site and explored their familiar haunts wherever they could swim. They worked intermittently on building up the nest itself. And by April 9—right on schedule—Agatha began to sit, as though she had eggs to lay and incubate. The swan keepers began calculating, wondering if cygnets would hatch the week before Memorial Day.

The dedication ceremonies at the fish ladder on May 22 attracted quite a crowd of people to the dam. During the commotion, both swans swam away from their nest for a while. They were off again on the 19th. Agatha came to the shore for a meal of bread on the 23rd, as though she had given up incubating. On the 29th, Lorus Milne shared with Jim Chamberlin a feeling that the swans needed a better roosting site. Jim dropped off three bales of straw near the pond. Lorus and Margery Milne used their jon boat to transfer the straw to the crude staddle at a shallow place far out in the pond, where the swans have basked in previous years. Not until the restoration job was finished did the two birds appear, from far upstream. Hamilton rushed at the boat, still ready to defend his territory. That night both swans rested on the roosting site, without (so far as is known) having revisited their nest. Did they know that Lorus and Margery had clambered into the abandoned structure, "rescued" two cold unhatched eggs and noted a third in fragments? Subsequent examination by Richard Strout revealed no embryo in either egg,

as though they had been infertile. Did the swans mate at all in 1976? No one reported seeing them do so. Zero population growth again!

On Memorial Day, long before the town parade began, the swans flew from the mill pond to the waters of Beard's Creek. At feeding time the next day they had company: a small pale-colored mallard duck that has been on hand for several years, and a second female mallard with 11 ducklings. This was to be the water bird community and its habitat for the rest of the summer, as though the mill pond no longer offered the wild food and peace it had before the fish ladder was installed. A small egret joined the Beard's Creek community on September 12, and a Canada goose on November 8. Then cold weather returned. Ice spread, leaving the swans open water only close to Coe Drive. Howard Forrest gave them their supper on November 10, for the last time there in 1976. The next day the birds were in the estuary, and on the 13th on North Mill Pond, Portsmouth. Apparently this year they did not touch down on the Bass Pond at Pease Air Force Base.

Perhaps the construction work of the previous winter damaged the aquatic vegetation in North Mill Pond, where the swans have grazed in earlier years. The two big birds stayed only a week before shifting their location to the back channel near Market Street, closer to open water of the Piscataqua River and the new high bridge. They returned to North Mill Pond on December 2, but again abandoned it, appearing near the bridge to Pierce Island. There they have many admirers among their human neighbors, which seems to appeal to mute swans wherever they are.

Now two improvements have been provided by people who enjoy seeing the swans so close. Back of Geno J. Marconi's coffee shop, an open boat house stands close to the water, with hay on the floor as a refuge for some ducks—and any swan that would like to take shelter from a storm or a cold night wind. And on the floating dock at Sanders Lobster Pound, a shallow box has been added to hold shelled corn within reach of a swimming swan. Both Hamilton and Agatha have discovered this special attraction. They can return to it at any stage of the tidal cycle, until their seasonal urge to head for the Durham mill pond becomes too insistent to ignore.

Lorus J. Milne and Margery Milne
Howard Forrest and Esther Mae Forrest
Appointed Keepers of the Swans



In Appreciation

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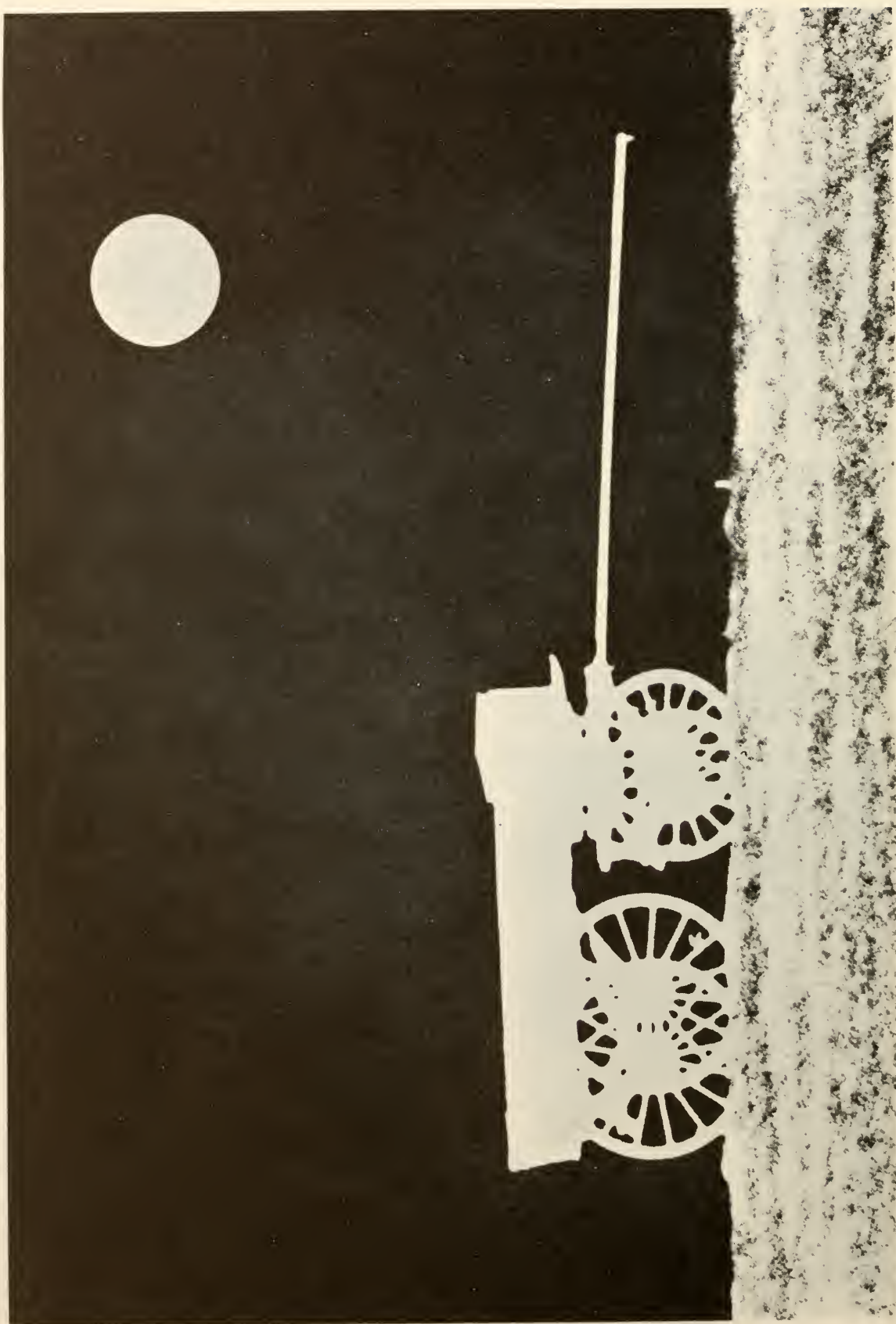
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